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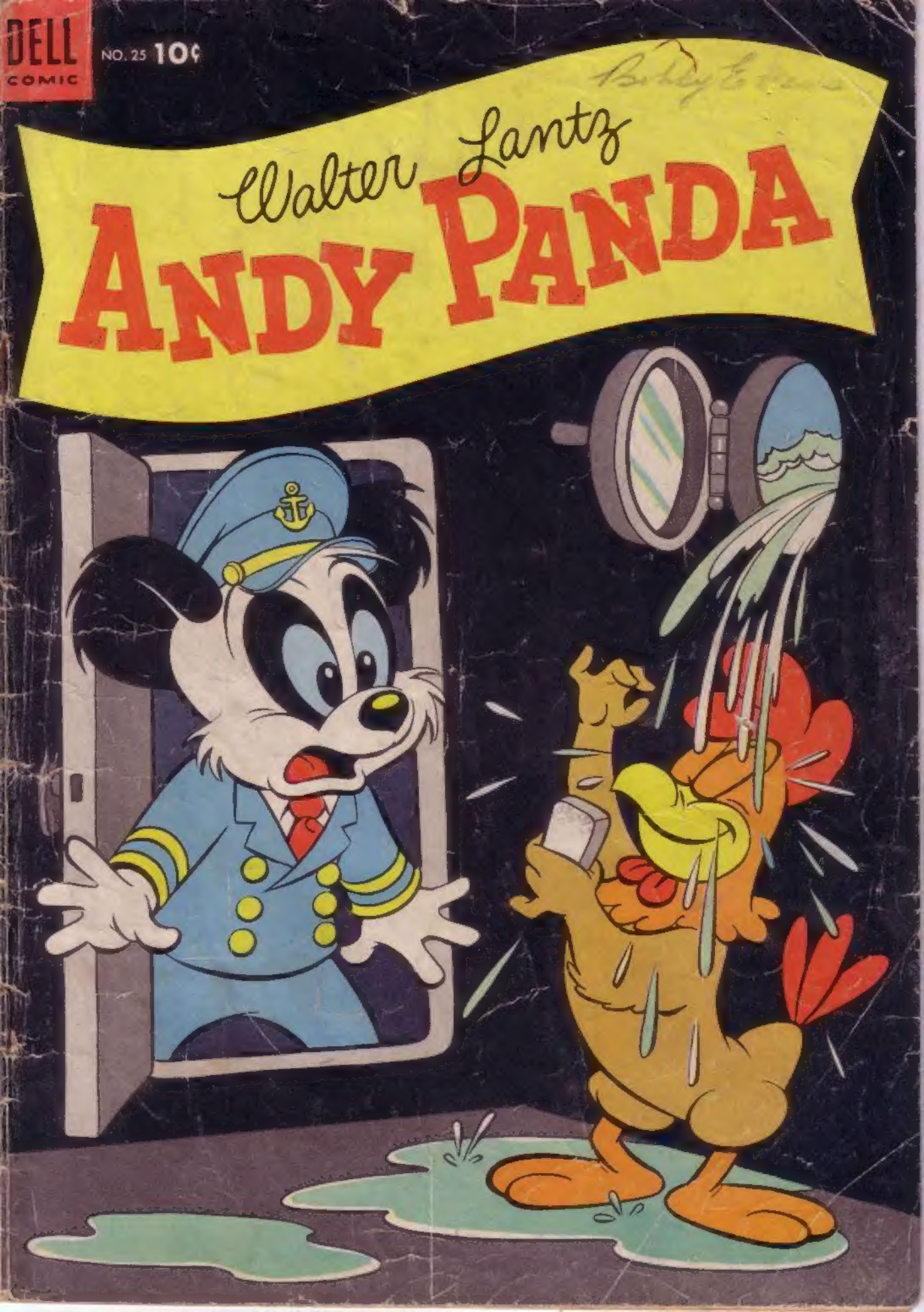

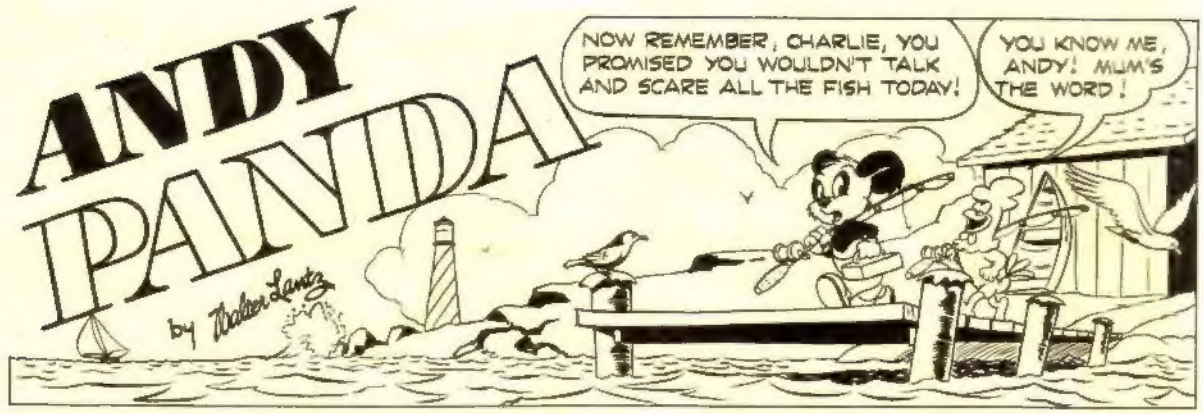

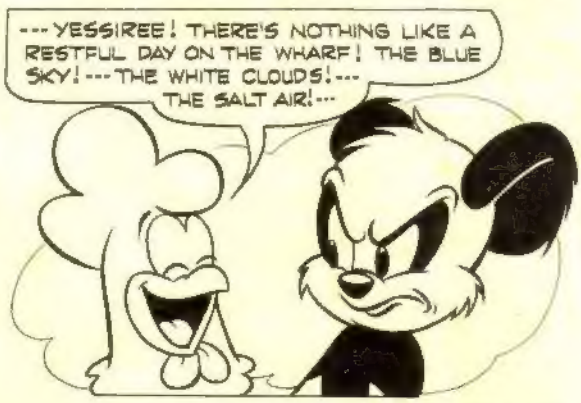

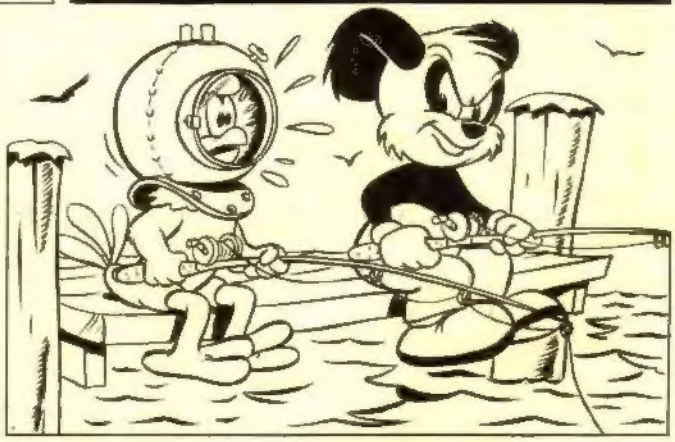

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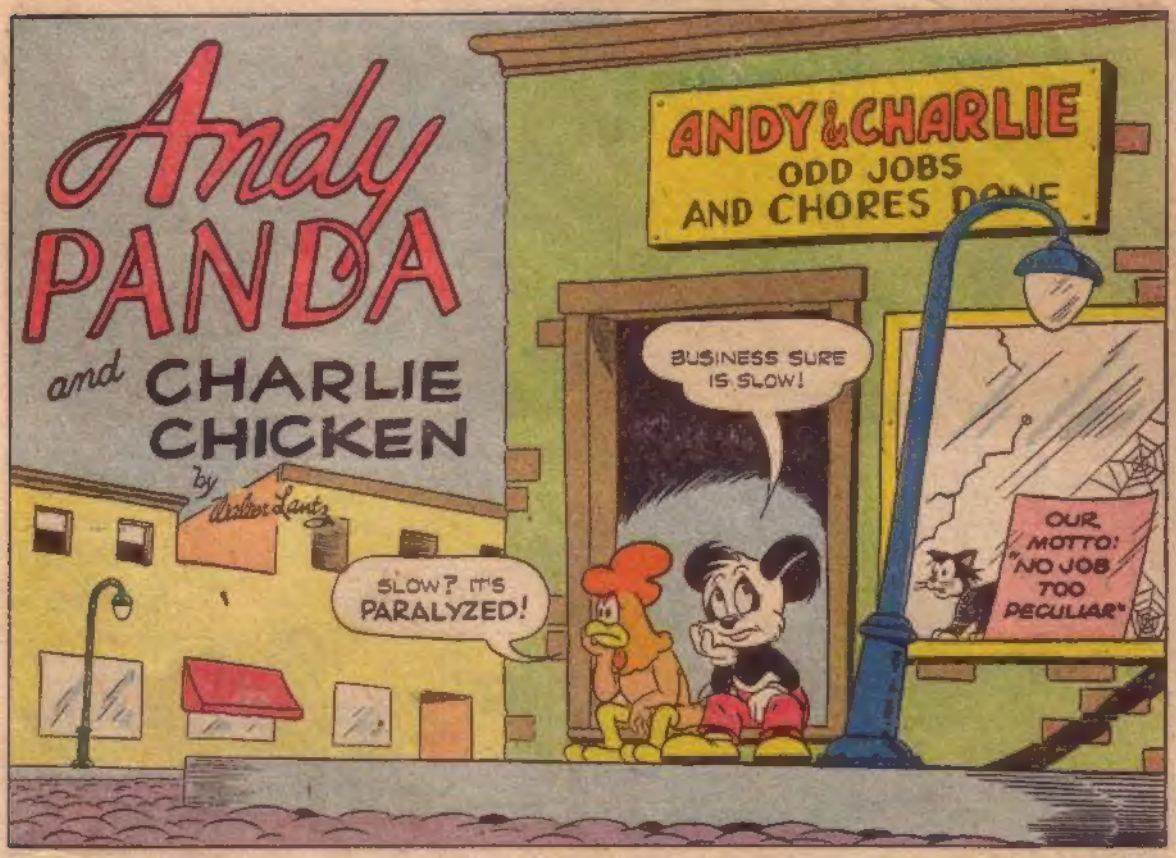

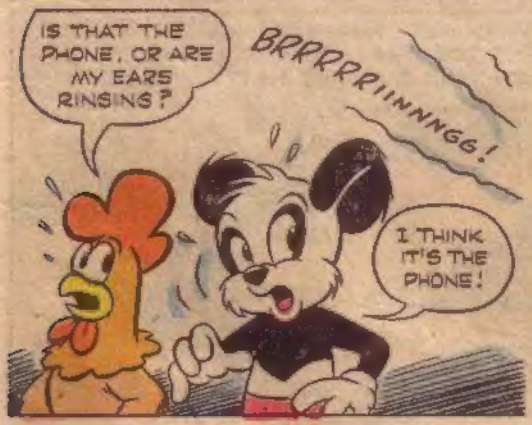

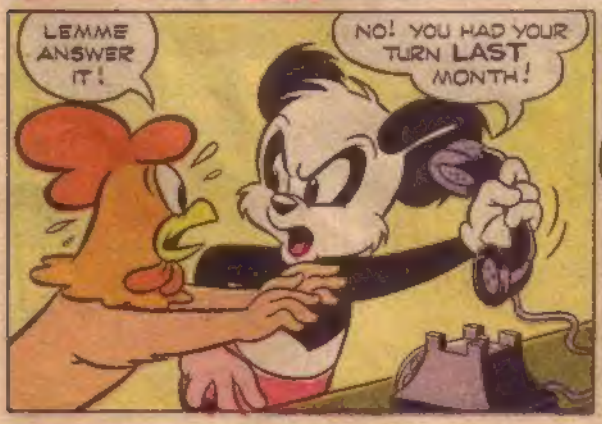

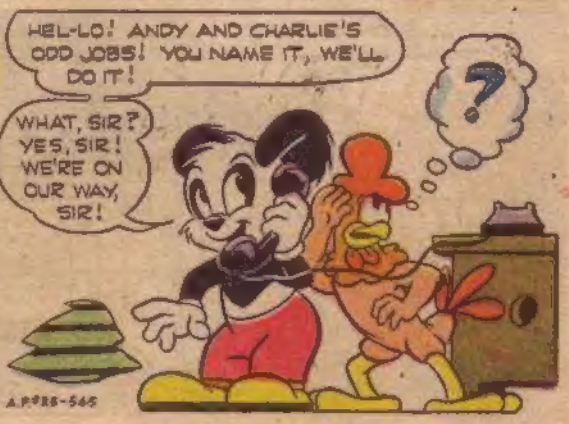

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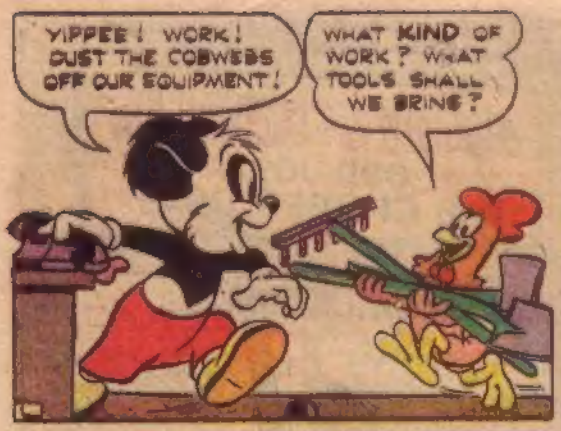
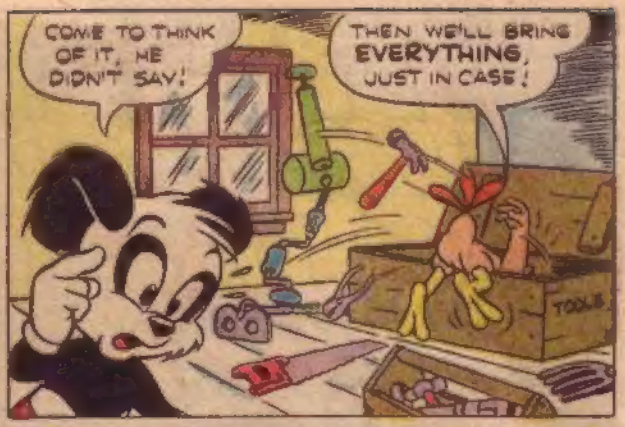
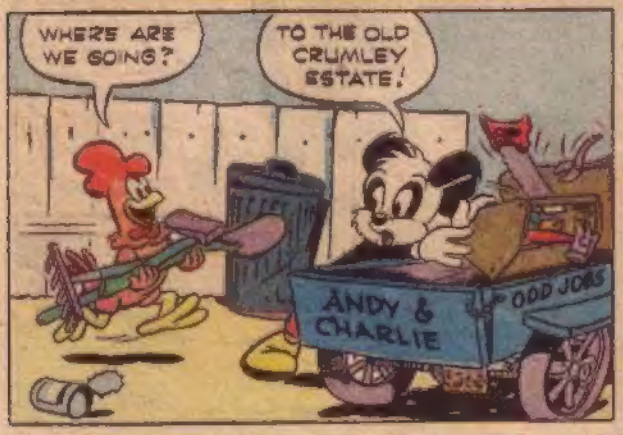
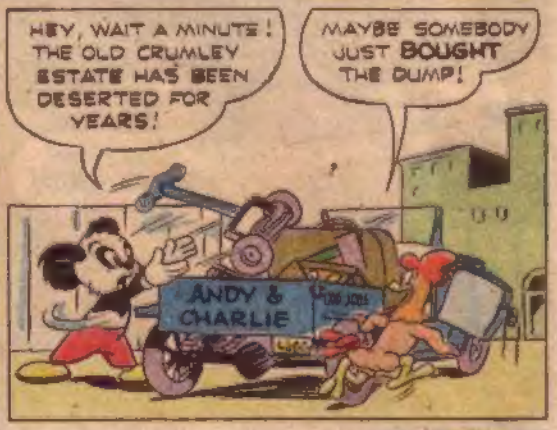
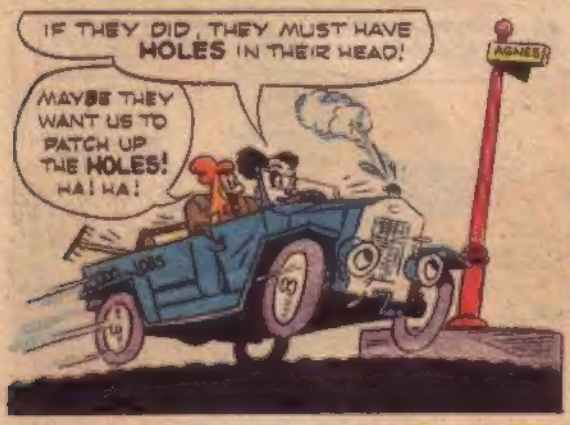
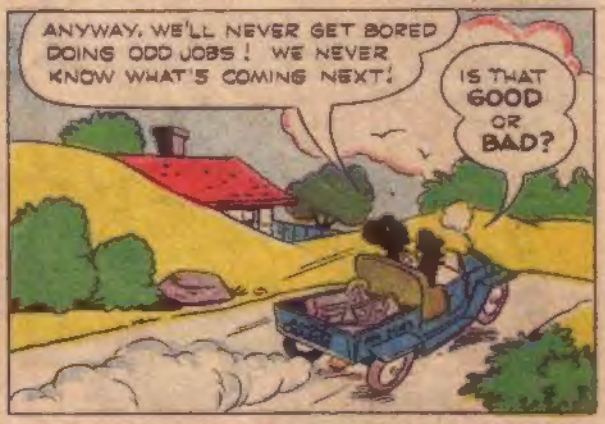

YIPPEE! WORK! DUST THE COBWEBS OFF OUR EQUIPMENT!
WHAT KIND OF WORK? WHAT TOOLS SHALL WE BRING?

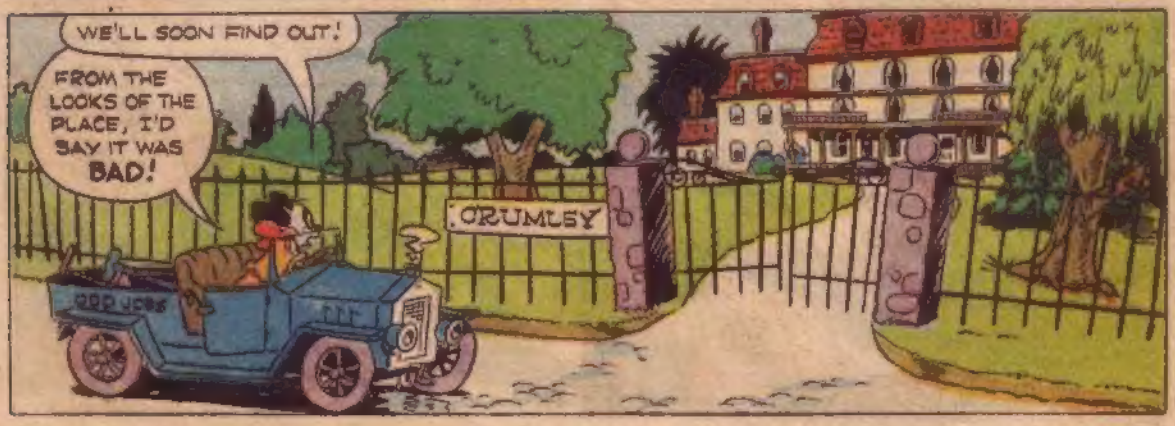

COME TO THINK OF IT, HE DIDN'T SAY!
THEN WE'LL BRING EVERYTHING, JUST IN CASE!
TOOLS

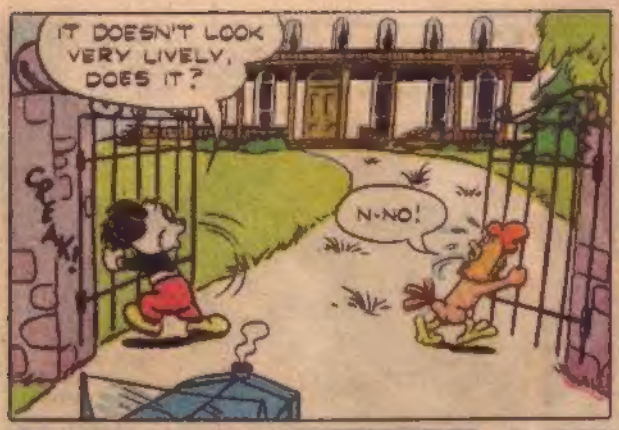

WHERE ARE WE GOING?
TO THE OLD CRUMLEY ESTATE!
ANDY & CHARLIE
ODD JOBS

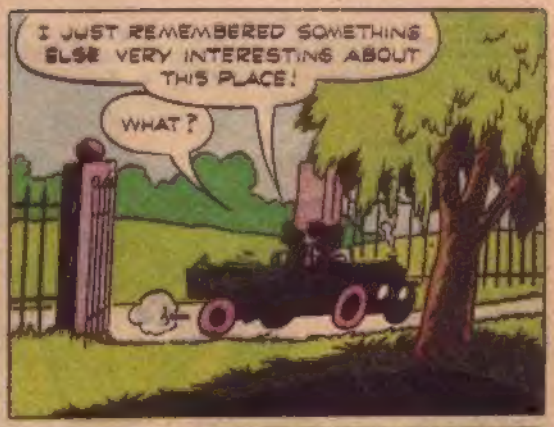

HEY, WAIT A MINUTE! THE OLD CRUMLEY ESTATE HAS BEEN DESERTED FOR YEARS!
MAYBE SOMEBODY JUST BOUGHT THE DUMP!
ANDY & CHARLIE
ODD JOBS

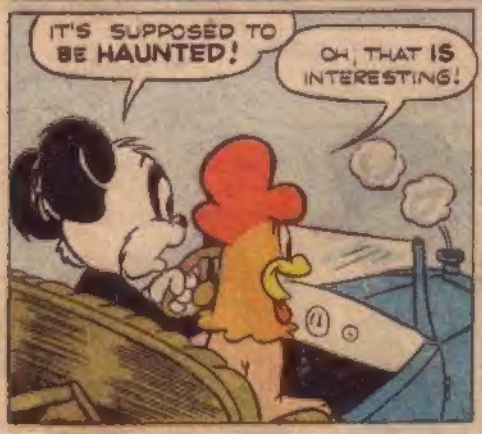

IF THEY DID, THEY MUST HAVE HOLES IN THEIR HEAD!
MAYBE THEY WANT US TO PATCH UP THE HOLES! HA! HA!
AGNES
ODD JOBS


ANYWAY, WE'LL NEVER GET BORED DOING ODD JOBS! WE NEVER KNOW WHAT'S COMING NEXT!
IS THAT GOOD OR BAD?

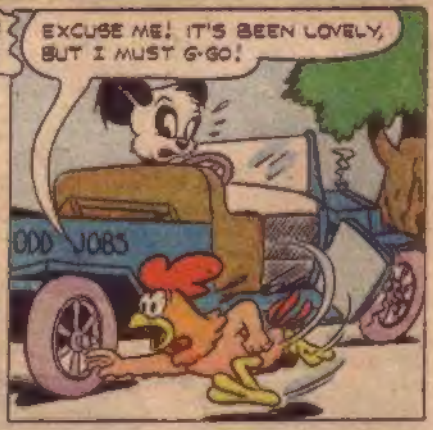

WE'LL SOON FIND OUT!
FROM THE LOOKS OF THE PLACE, I'D SAY IT WAS BAD!
CRUMLEY
ODD JOBS

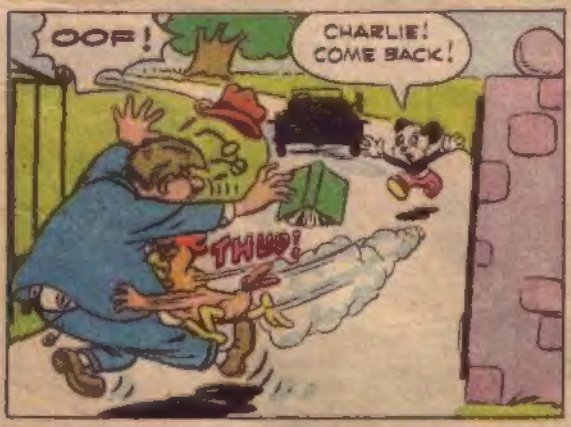

IT DOESN'T LOOK VERY LIVELY, DOES IT?
N-NO!
CREAK!


I JUST REMEMBERED SOMETHING ELSE VERY INTERESTING ABOUT THIS PLACE!
WHAT?

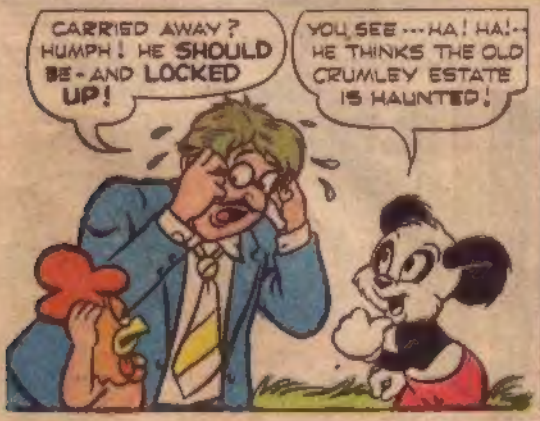

IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE HAUNTED!
OH, THAT IS INTERESTING!

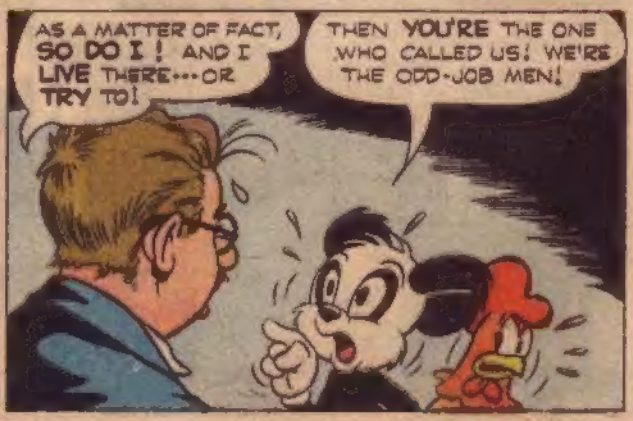
HAUNTED!!


EXCUSE ME! IT'S BEEN LOVELY, BUT I MUST G-GO!
ODD JOBS


OOF!
CHARLIE! COME BACK!
THUD!

GEE, MISTER, YOU'LL HAVE TO EXCUSE MY FRIEND! HE GETS CARRIED AWAY AT TIMES!


CARRIED AWAY? HUMPH! HE SHOULD BE-AND LOCKED UP!
YOU SEE ... HA! HA! ... HE THINKS THE OLD CRUMLEY ESTATE IS HAUNTED!

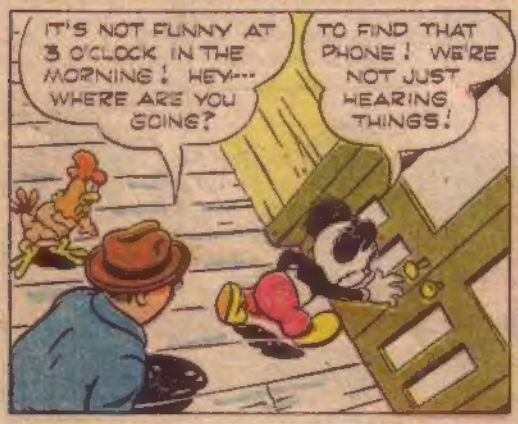

AS A MATTER OF FACT, SO DO I! AND I LIVE THERE ... OR TRY TO!
THEN YOU'RE THE ONE WHO CALLED US! WE'RE THE ODD-JOB MEN!

NORM DE PLUME'S MY NAME--- I'M AN AUTHOR! I BOUGHT THIS PLACE TO DO MY WRITING IN PEACE AND QUIET!
AND IT ISN'T QUIET?

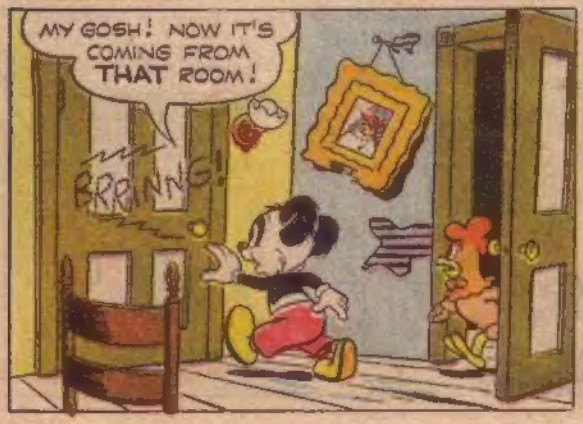
QUIET! HAH! I'VE BEEN IN QUIETER BOILER FACTORIES! AND I CAN'T FIND OUT WHAT MAKES THE RACKET!
THAT'S OUR JOB, HUH?

YES! I SAW YOUR AD IN THE PHONE BOOK AND FIGURED THAT "ODD JOBS DONE" MEANT JUST THAT!
HEY! IS THAT YOUR PHONE?
BRRINNG!

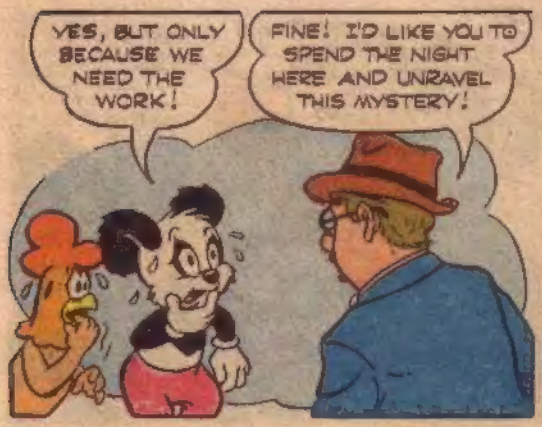
NOPE! THERE'S NO PHONE IN THE HOUSE! I CALLED YOU FROM A DRUGSTORE!
BRRINNG!
THAT'S FUNNY!


IT'S NOT FUNNY AT 3 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING! HEY--- WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
TO FIND THAT PHONE! WE'RE NOT JUST HEARING THINGS!

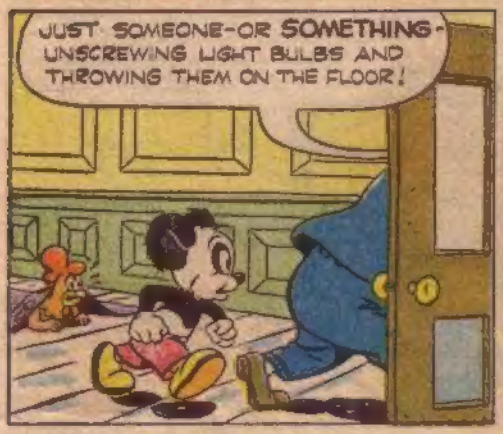
IT'S NO USE! I'VE LOOKED!
SEEMS TO BE COMING FROM THIS ROOM!
BRRINNG!

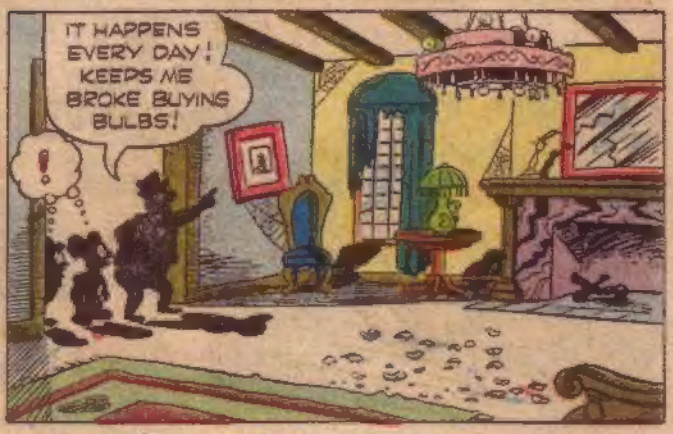

MY GOSH! NOW IT'S COMING FROM THAT ROOM!
BRRINNG!

IT'S NOTHING BUT AN EMPTY CLOSET!
SEE WHAT I MEAN? NOW - DO YOU STILL WANT THE JOB?


YES, BUT ONLY BECAUSE WE NEED THE WORK!
FINE! I'D LIKE YOU TO SPEND THE NIGHT HERE AND UNRAVEL THIS MYSTERY!

YE CATS! WHAT'S THAT?
OH, THAT!
D-DON'T SHOOT! I GIVE UP!
POP!
BANG!
POP!
POP!


JUST SOMEONE-OR SOMETHING-UNSCREWING LIGHT BULBS AND THROWING THEM ON THE FLOOR!


IT HAPPENS EVERY DAY! KEEPS ME BROKE BUYING BULBS!
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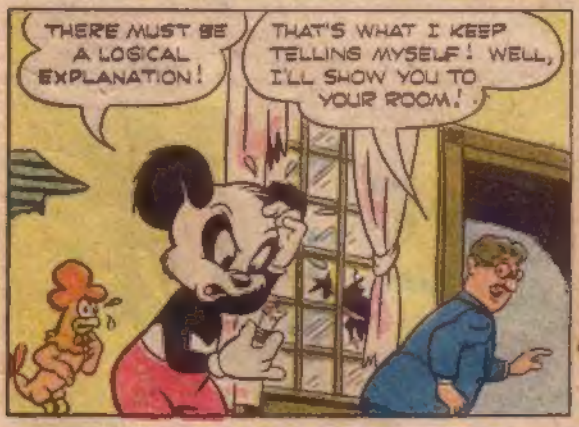
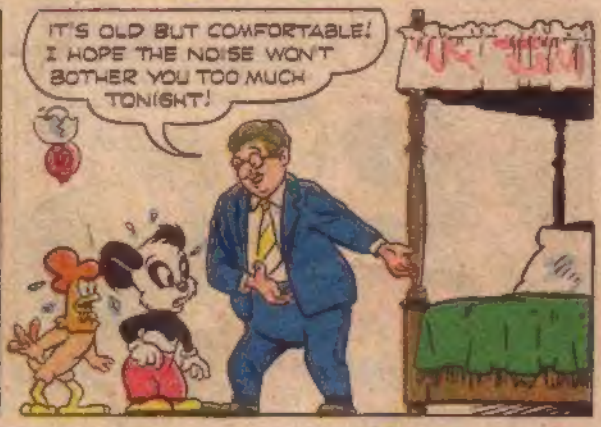
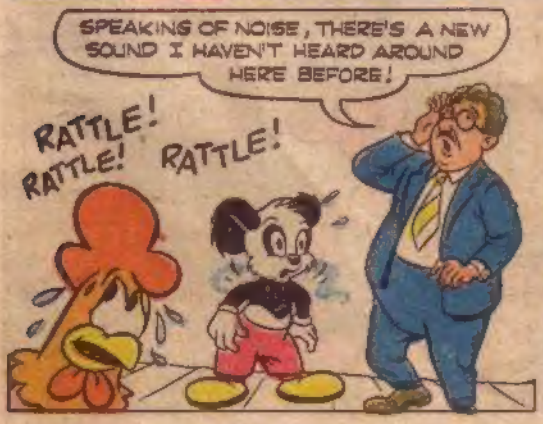
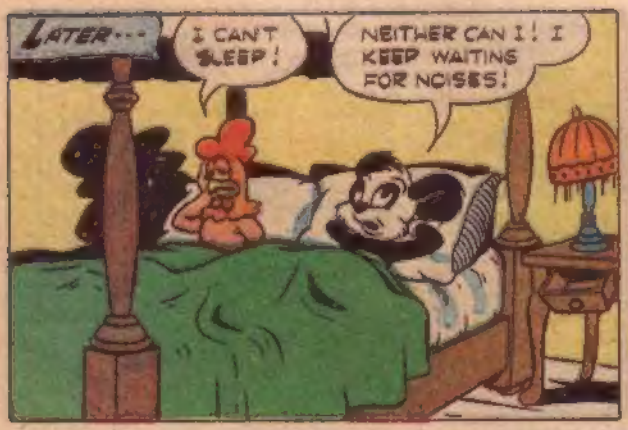
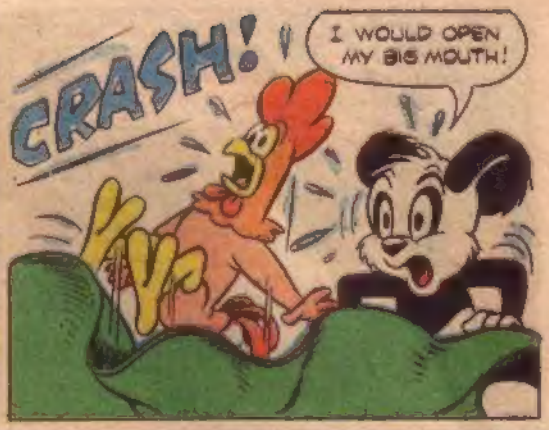

THERE MUST BE A LOGICAL EXPLANATION!
THAT'S WHAT I KEEP TELLING MYSELF! WELL, I'LL SHOW YOU TO YOUR ROOM!

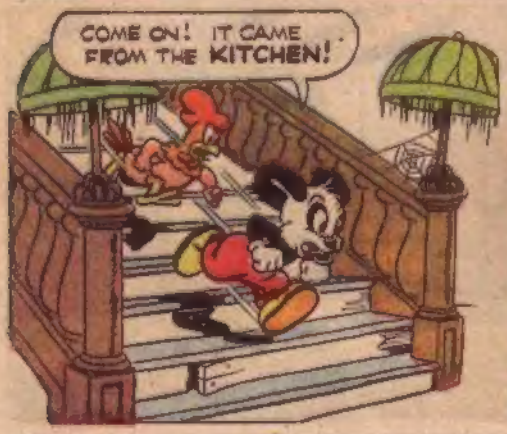

IT'S OLD BUT COMFORTABLE! I HOPE THE NOISE WON'T BOTHER YOU TOO MUCH TONIGHT!

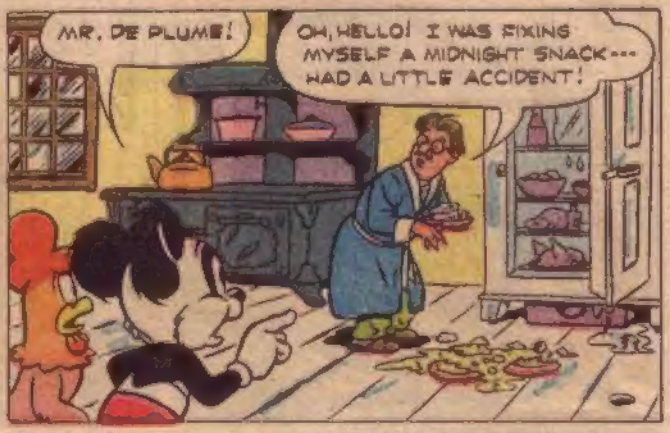

SPEAKING OF NOISE, THERE'S A NEW SOUND I HAVEN'T HEARD AROUND HERE BEFORE!
RATTLE!
RATTLE!
RATTLE!

HOW COULD YOU? I ONLY G-GOT HERE A LITTLE WHILE AGO!
RATTLE!
RATTLE!


LATER...
I CAN'T SLEEP!
NEITHER CAN I! I KEEP WAITING FOR NOISES!

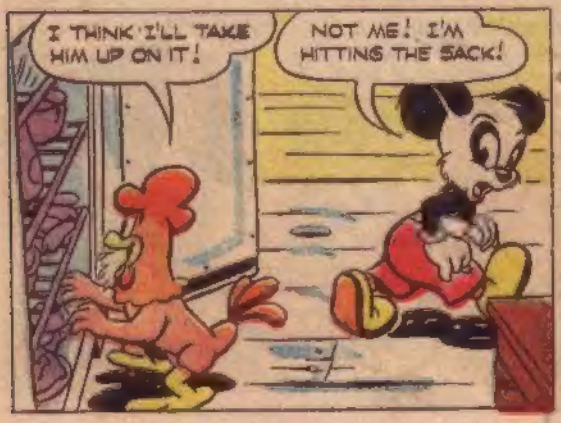

CRASH!
I WOULD OPEN MY BIG MOUTH!

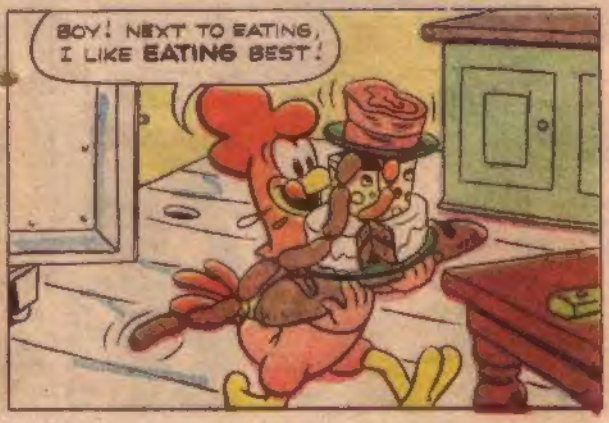

COME ON! IT CAME FROM THE KITCHEN!

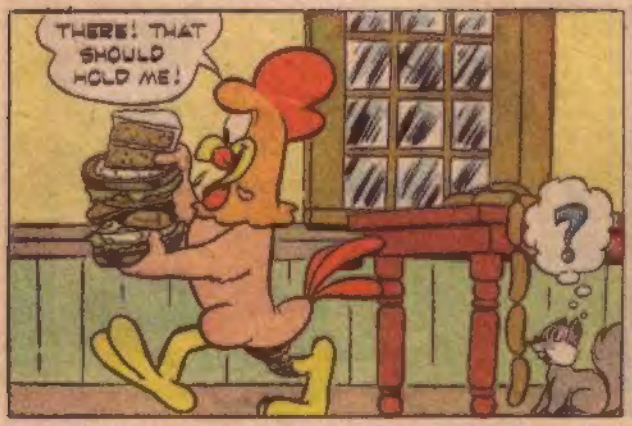

MR. DE PLUME!
OH, HELLO! I WAS FIXING MYSELF A MIDNIGHT SNACK... HAD A LITTLE ACCIDENT!

WE THOUGHT IT WAS ONE OF THOSE MYSTERIOUS NOISES!
NOPE! BEEN QUIET TONIGHT, FOR SOME REASON! SORRY IF I DISTURBED YOU!

THAT'S ALL RIGHT!
GOOD NIGHT AGAIN, BOYS! FIX YOURSELF A SNACK IF YOU LIKE!


I THINK I'LL TAKE HIM UP ON IT!
NOT ME! I'M HITTING THE SACK!


BOY! NEXT TO EATING, I LIKE EATING BEST!


THERE! THAT SHOULD HOLD ME!
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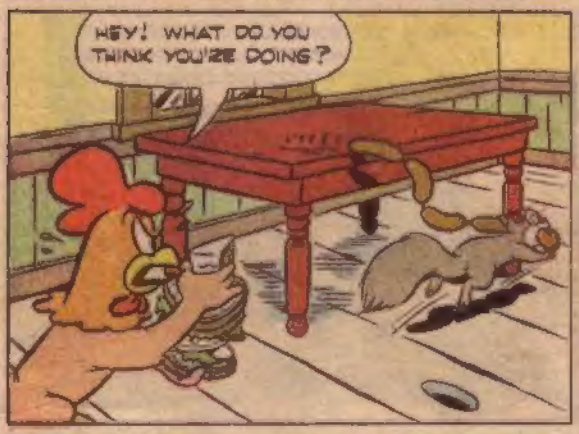
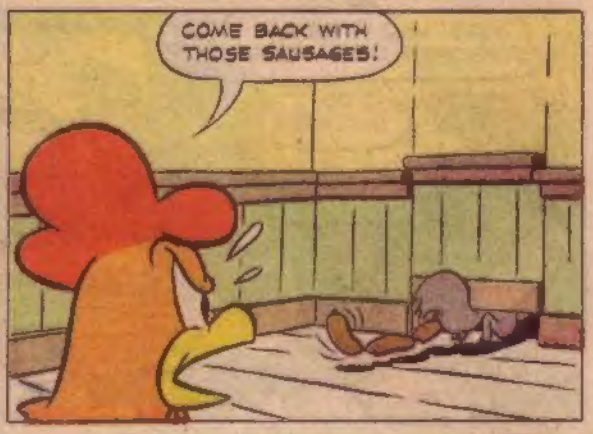
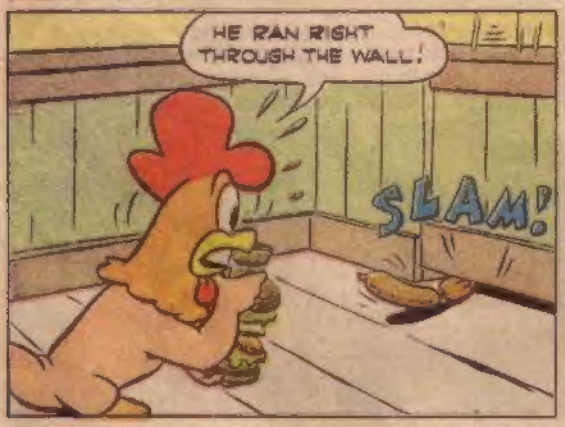
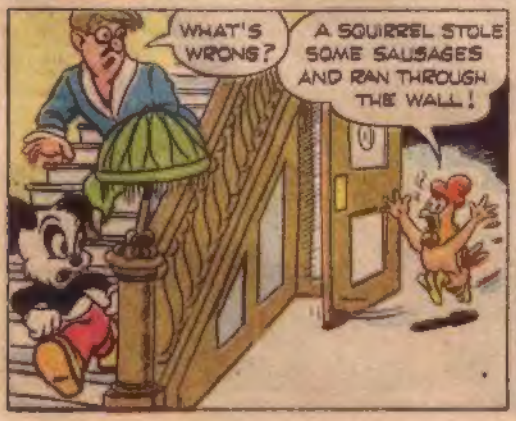
I SHOULD BRING SOMETHING FOR ANDY TO EAT, TOO!

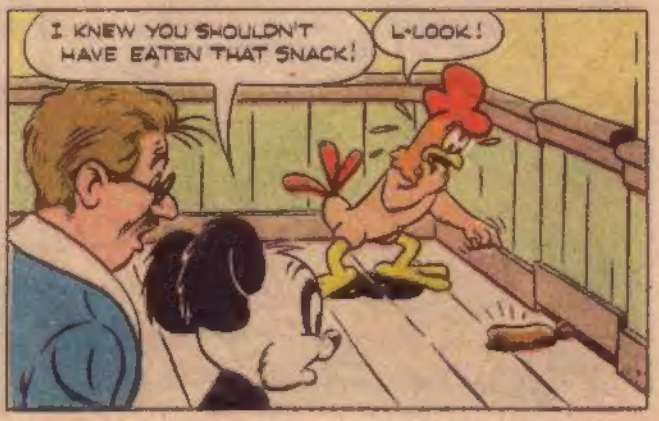

HEY! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

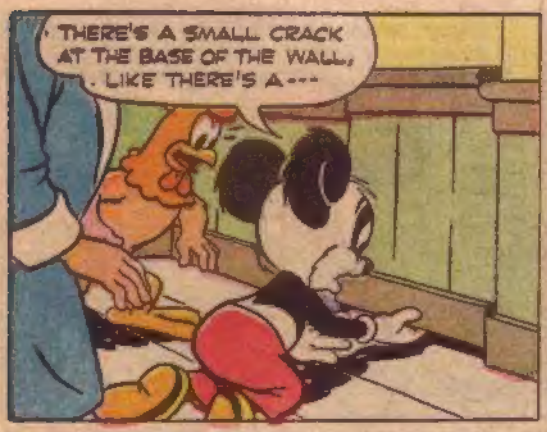

COME BACK WITH THOSE SAUSAGES!


HE RAN RIGHT THROUGH THE WALL!
SLAM!

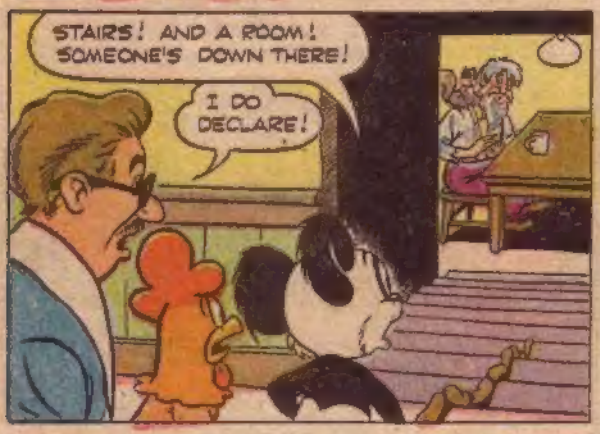
ANDY! ANDY!


WHAT'S WRONG?
A SQUIRREL STOLE SOME SAUSAGES AND RAN THROUGH THE WALL!


I KNEW YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE EATEN THAT SNACK!
L-LOOK!


THERE'S A SMALL CRACK AT THE BASE OF THE WALL, LIKE THERE'S A---

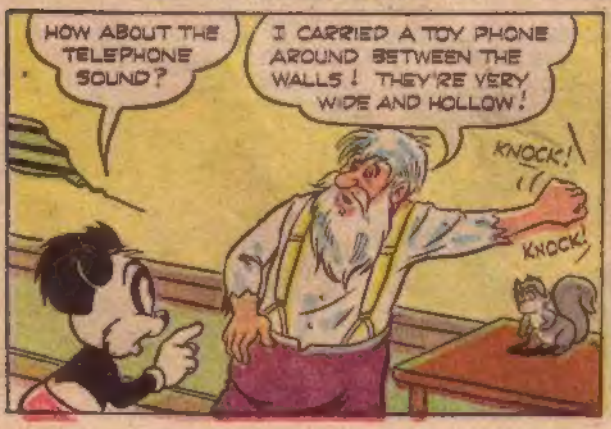
--- SECRET DOOR!
CREAK!

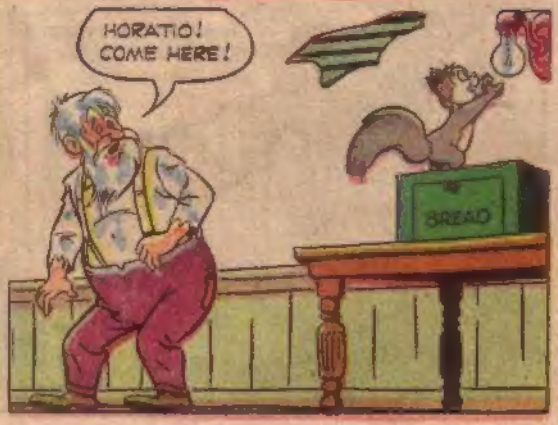

STAIRS! AND A ROOM! SOMEONE'S DOWN THERE!
I DO DECLARE!

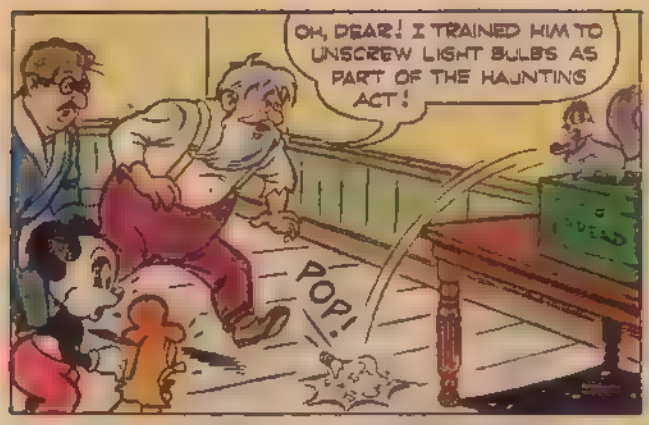
WHO ARE YOU?
I'LL COME UP, GENTLEMEN! SOMEBODY HAD TO FIND ME SOONER OR LATER!

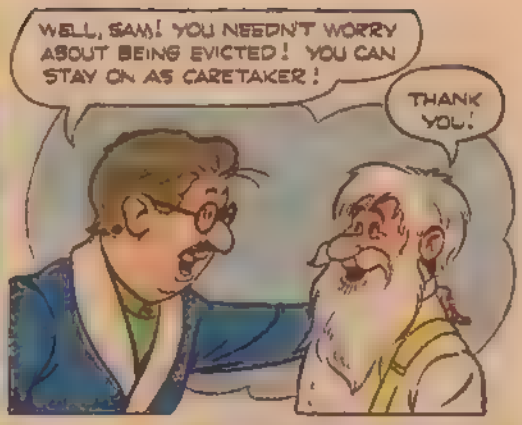
MY NAME'S SAM! I WAS CARETAKER HERE BACK IN THE OLD DAYS! WHEN THE FAMILY DRIFTED AWAY, I HAD NO PLACE TO GO SO I JUST STAYED ON!

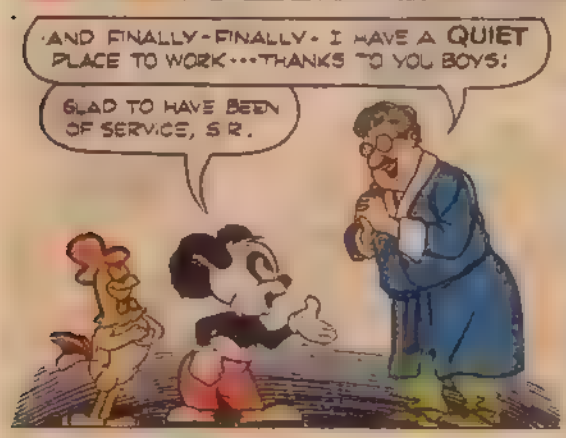
I WAS AFRAID SOMEONE'D EVICT ME, SO ME AND MY PET SQUIRREL, HORATIO, MADE LIKE THE PLACE WAS HAUNTED TO SCARE FOLKS OFF!
YIK!

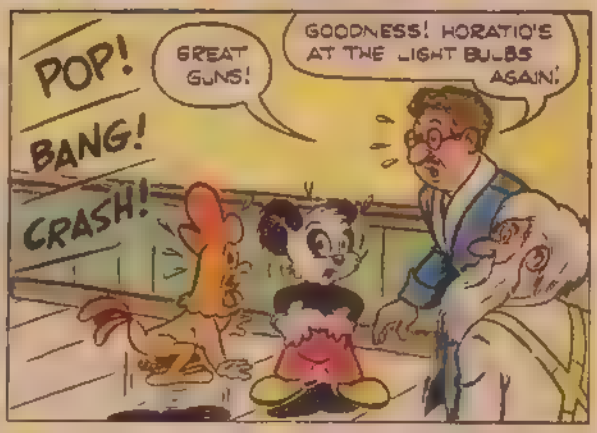

HOW ABOUT THE TELEPHONE SOUND?
I CARRIED A TOY PHONE AROUND BETWEEN THE WALLS! THEY'RE VERY WIDE AND HOLLOW!
KNOCK!
KNOCK!

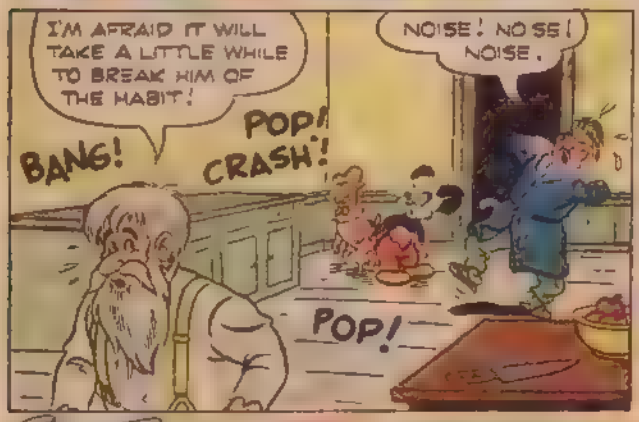

HORATIO! COME HERE!
BREAD

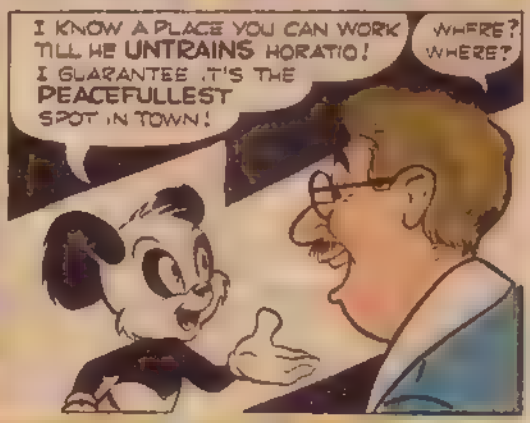

OH, DEAR! I TRAINED HIM TO UNSCREW LIGHT BULBS AS PART OF THE HAUNTING ACT!
POP!


WELL, SAM! YOU NEEDN'T WORRY ABOUT BEING EVICTED! YOU CAN STAY ON AS CARETAKER!
THANK YOU!

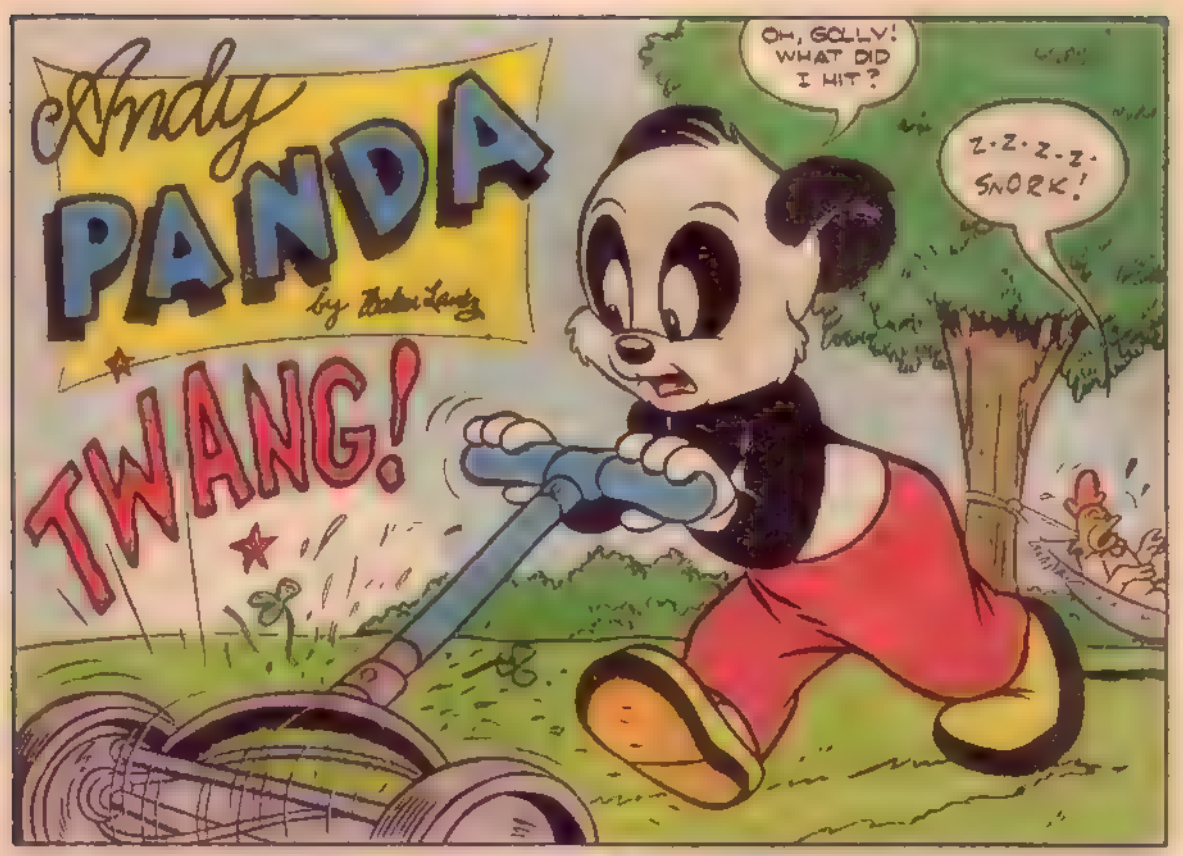

AND FINALLY-FINALLY- I HAVE A QUIET PLACE TO WORK...THANKS TO YOU BOYS!
GLAD TO HAVE BEEN OF SERVICE, SIR.

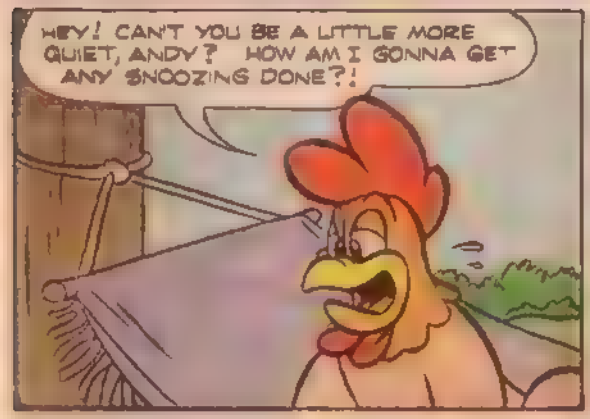

POP!
BANG!
CRASH!
GREAT GUNS!
GOODNESS! HORATIO'S AT THE LIGHT BULBS AGAIN!

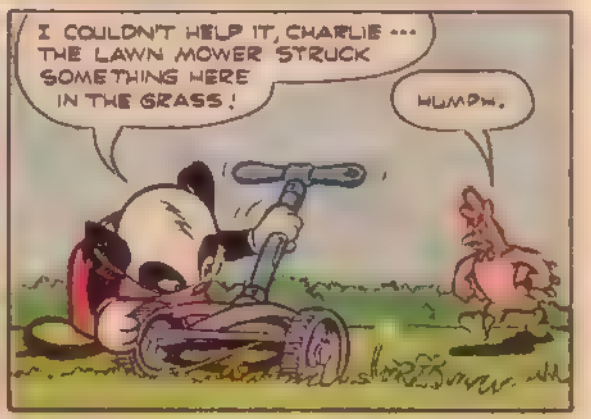

I'M AFRAID IT WILL TAKE A LITTLE WHILE TO BREAK HIM OF THE HABIT!
NOISE! NOISE! NOISE.
BANG!
POP!
CRASH!
POP!

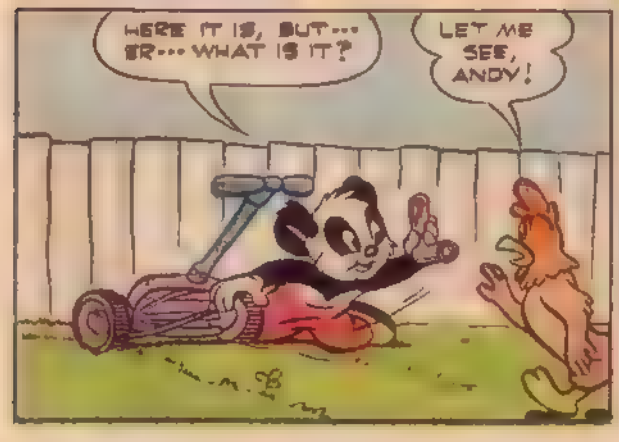

I KNOW A PLACE YOU CAN WORK TILL HE UNTRAINS HORATIO! I GUARANTEE IT'S THE PEACEFULLEST SPOT IN TOWN!
WHERE? WHERE?

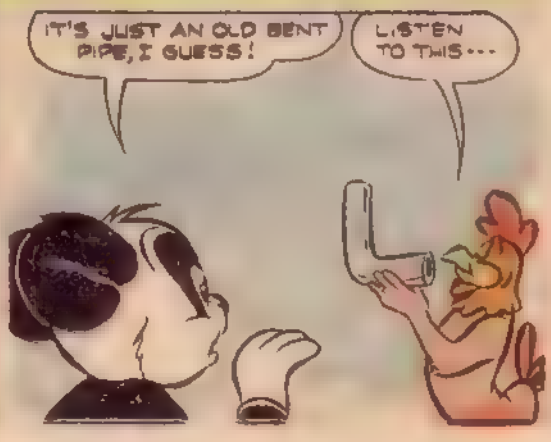
SO---
ODD JOBS
AND CHORES
CLICK!
CLICK!
CLICK!
CLICK!


Andy PANDA
by Walter Lantz
TWANG!
OH, GOLLY! WHAT DID I HIT?
Z·Z·Z·Z· SNORK!

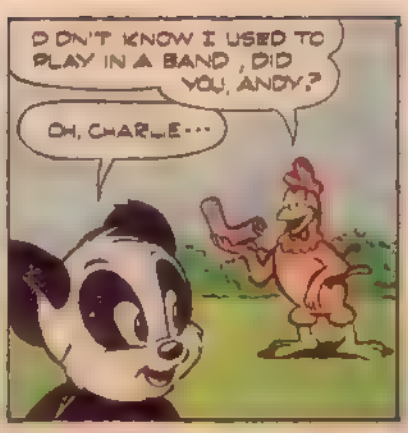

HEY! CAN'T YOU BE A LITTLE MORE QUIET, ANDY? HOW AM I GONNA GET ANY SNOOZING DONE?!


I COULDN'T HELP IT, CHARLIE ··· THE LAWN MOWER STRUCK SOMETHING HERE IN THE GRASS!
HUMPH.

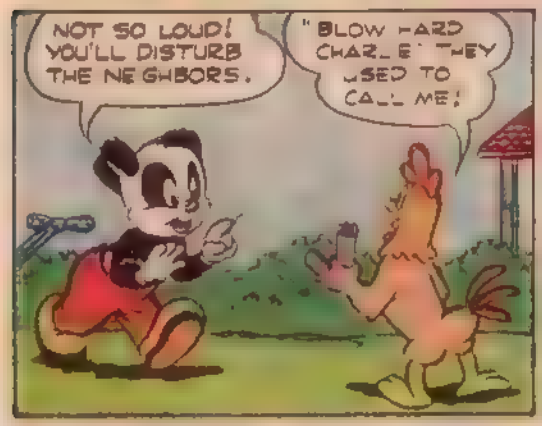

HERE IT IS, BUT··· ER··· WHAT IS IT?
LET ME SEE, ANDY!

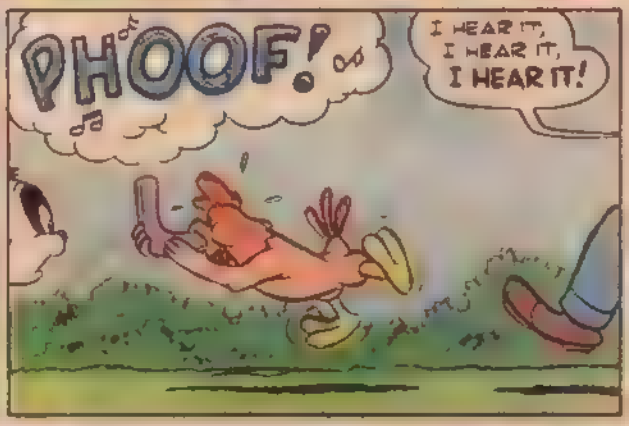

IT'S JUST AN OLD BENT PIPE, I GUESS!
LISTEN TO THIS···

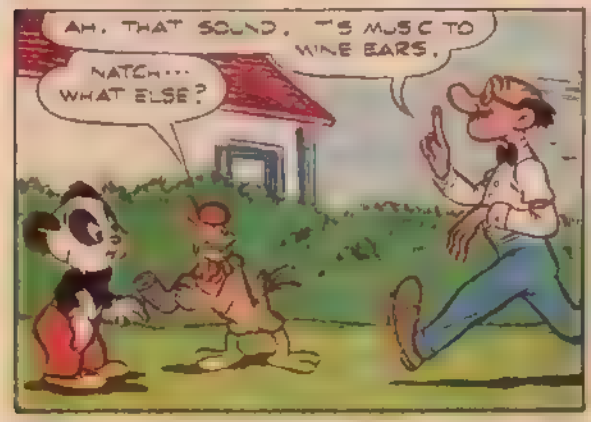
PHOOF!

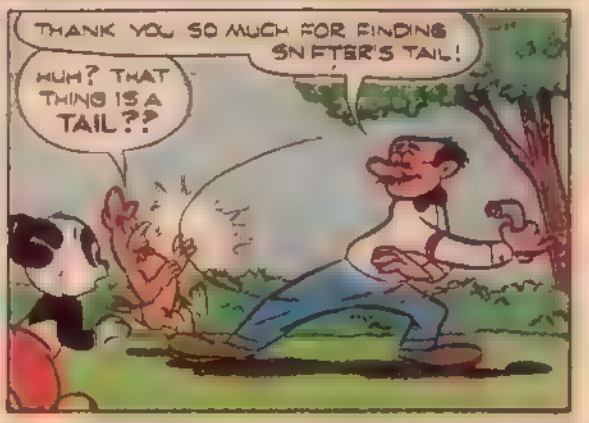

D DON'T KNOW I USED TO PLAY IN A BAND, DID YOU, ANDY?
OH, CHARLE···

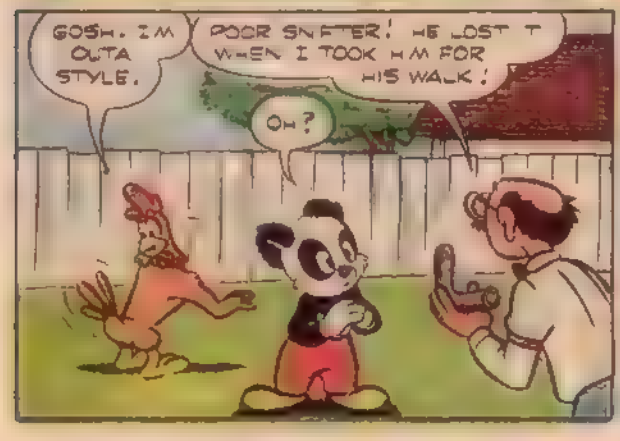
PHOOF!

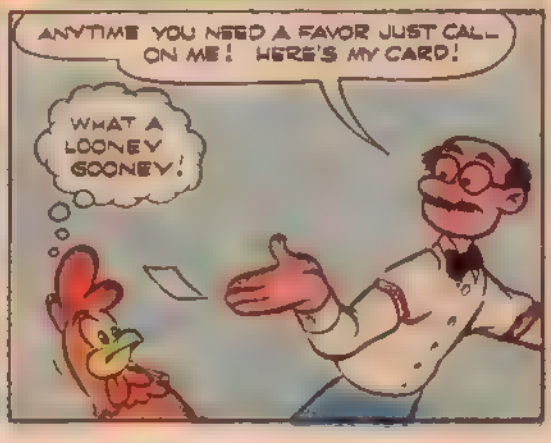

NOT SO LOUD! YOU'LL DISTURB THE NEIGHBORS.
"BLOW HARD CHARLIE" THEY USED TO CALL ME!

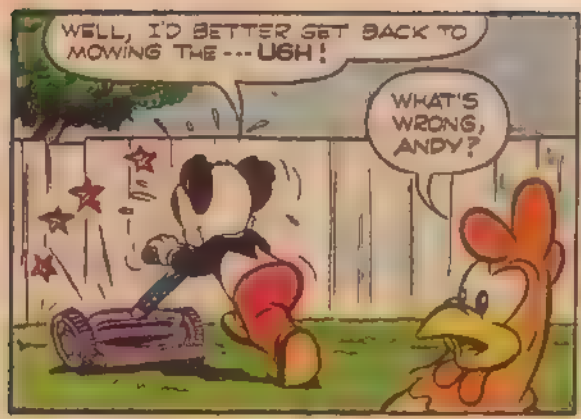

PHOOF!
I HEAR IT, I HEAR IT, I HEAR IT!

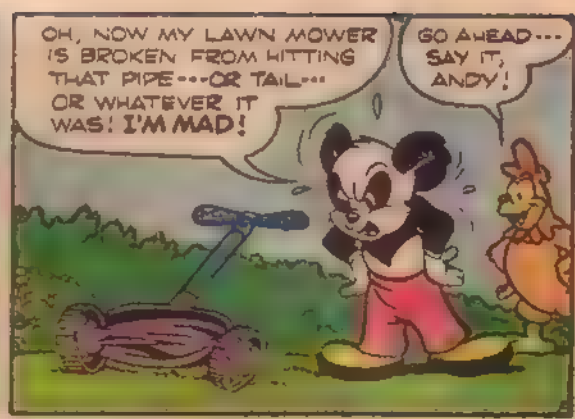

AH. THAT SOUND. IT'S MUSIC TO MINE EARS.
NATCH··· WHAT ELSE?


THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR FINDING SNIFTER'S TAIL!
HUH? THAT THING IS A TAIL??

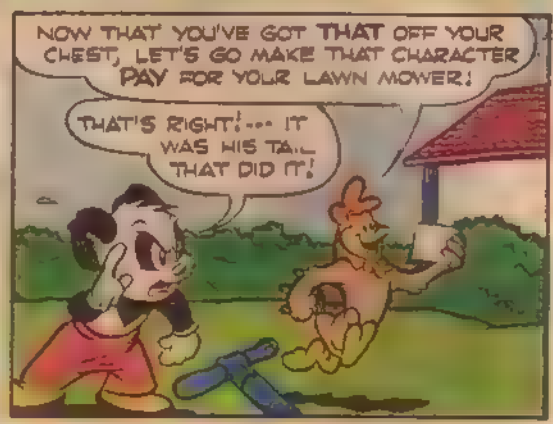

GOSH. I'M OUTA STYLE.
POOR SNIFTER! HE LOST IT WHEN I TOOK HIM FOR HIS WALK!
OH?

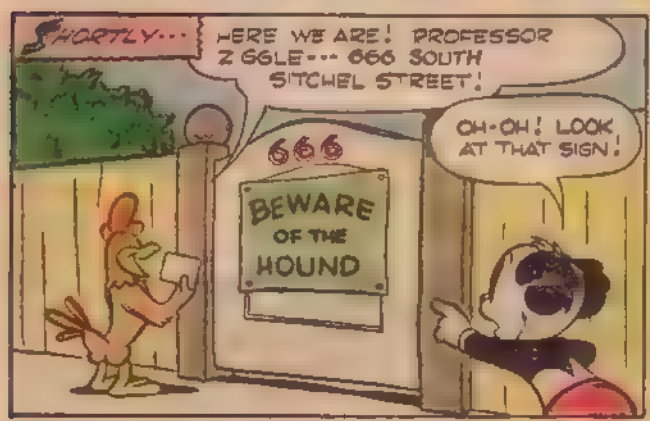

ANYTIME YOU NEED A FAVOR JUST CALL ON ME! HERE'S MY CARD!
WHAT A LOONEY GOONEY!

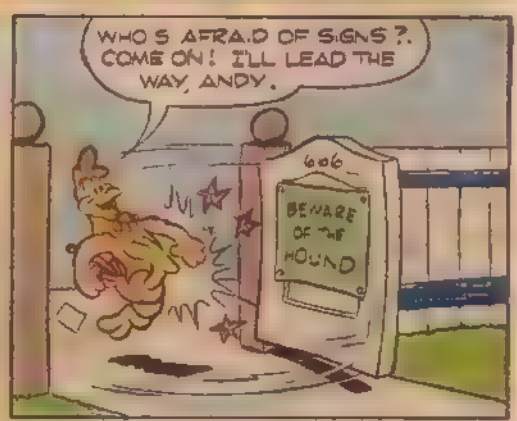

WELL, I'D BETTER GET BACK TO MOWING THE --- UGH!
WHAT'S WRONG, ANDY?

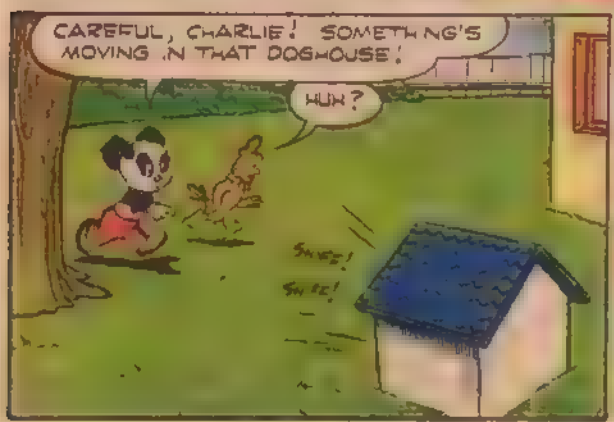

OH, NOW MY LAWN MOWER IS BROKEN FROM HITTING THAT PIPE --- OR TAIL --- OR WHATEVER IT WAS! I'M MAD!
GO AHEAD --- SAY IT, ANDY!

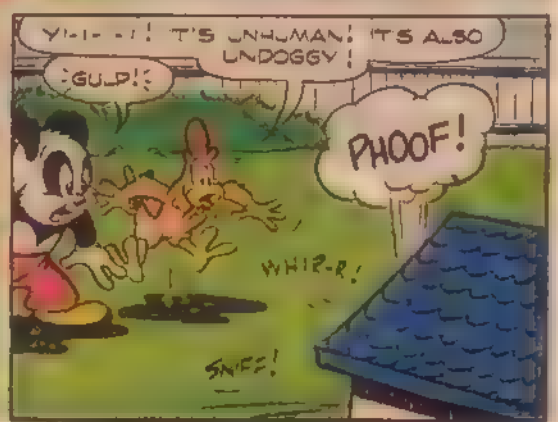
OH, FUDGE!

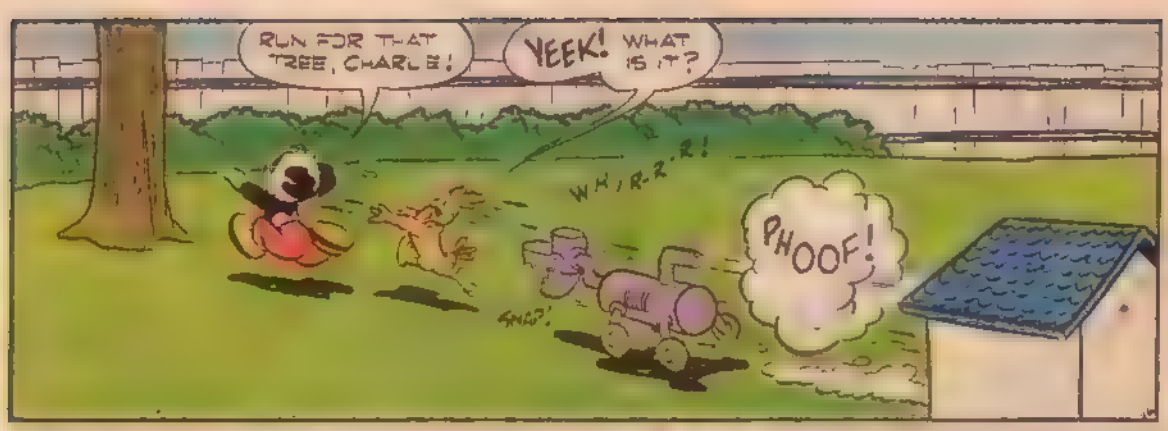

NOW THAT YOU'VE GOT THAT OFF YOUR CHEST, LET'S GO MAKE THAT CHARACTER PAY FOR YOUR LAWN MOWER!
THAT'S RIGHT! --- IT WAS HIS TAIL THAT DID IT!

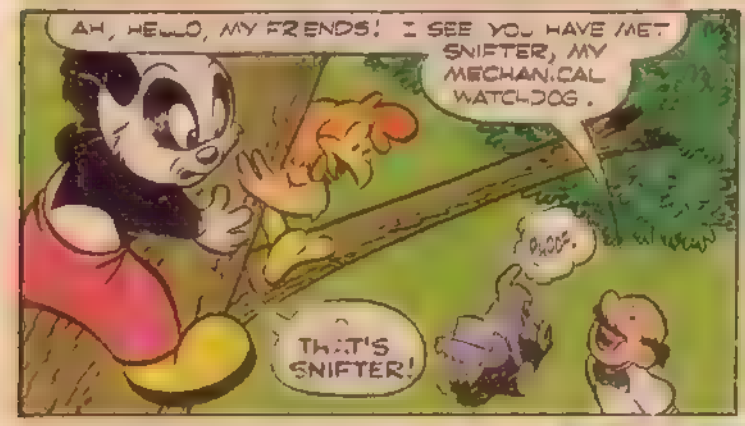

SHORTLY ---
HERE WE ARE! PROFESSOR ZIGGLE --- 666 SOUTH SITCHEL STREET!
666
BEWARE OF THE HOUND
OH-OH! LOOK AT THAT SIGN!


WHO'S AFRAID OF SIGNS?. COME ON! I'LL LEAD THE WAY, ANDY.
666
BEWARE OF THE HOUND

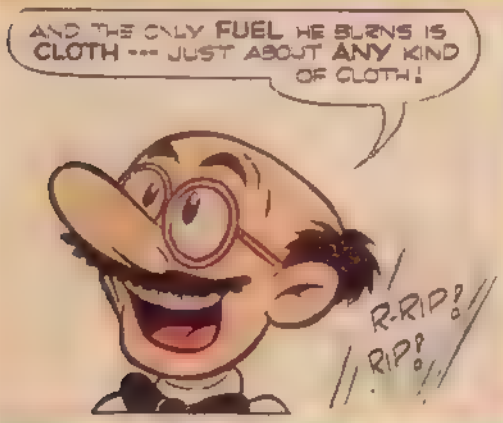

CAREFUL, CHARLIE! SOMETHING'S MOVING IN THAT DOGHOUSE!
HUH?
SNIFF!
SNIFF!

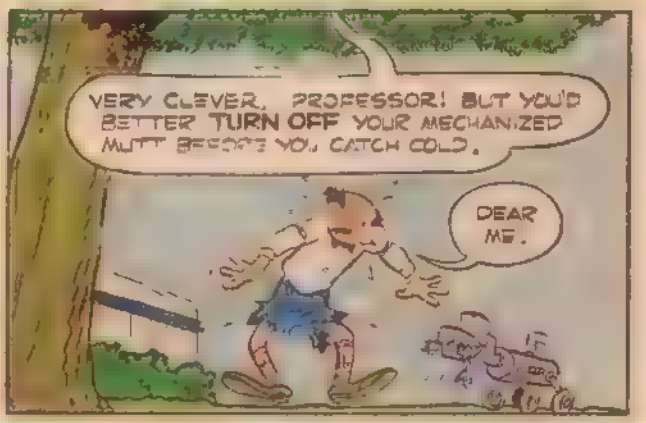

Y-I-I-I! IT'S UNHUMAN! IT'S ALSO UNDOGGY!
:GULP!:
PHOOF!
WHIR-R!
SNIFF!

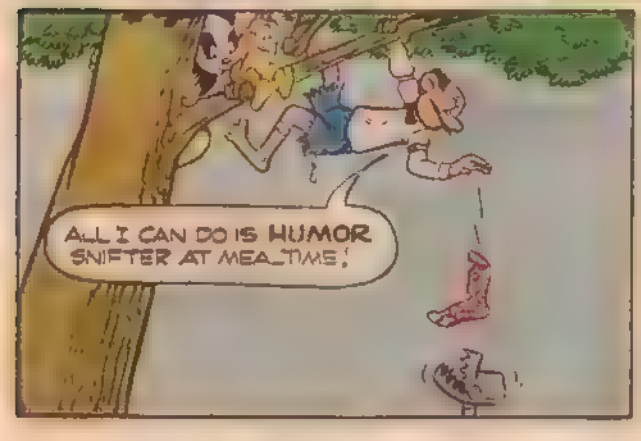

RUN FOR THAT TREE, CHARLIE!
YEEK! WHAT IS IT?
WHIR-R-R!
PHOOF!
SNAP!

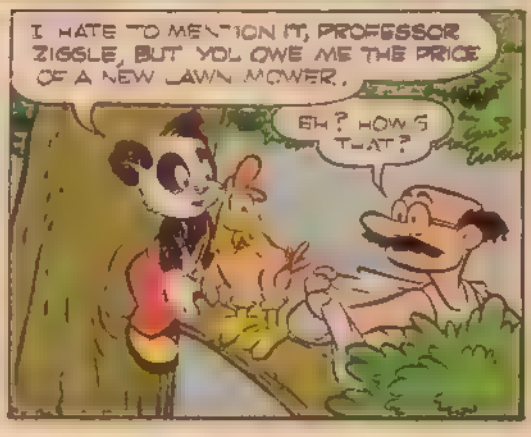

AH, HELLO, MY FRIENDS! I SEE YOU HAVE MET SNIFTER, MY MECHANICAL WATCHDOG.
PHOOF.
THAT'S SNIFTER!

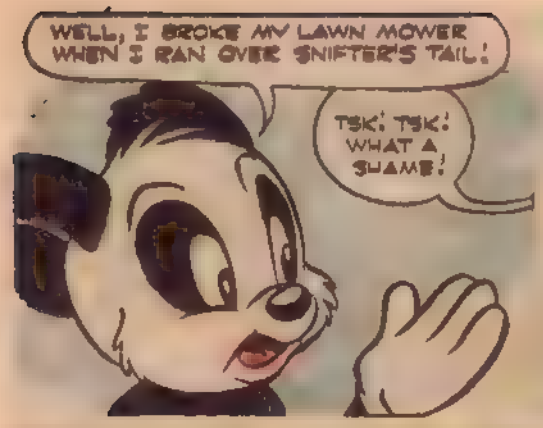
SNIFTER IS JET-PROPELLED WITH HYDROMATIC JAWS! A GOOD WATCHDOG!
SNIFF!
SNIFF!

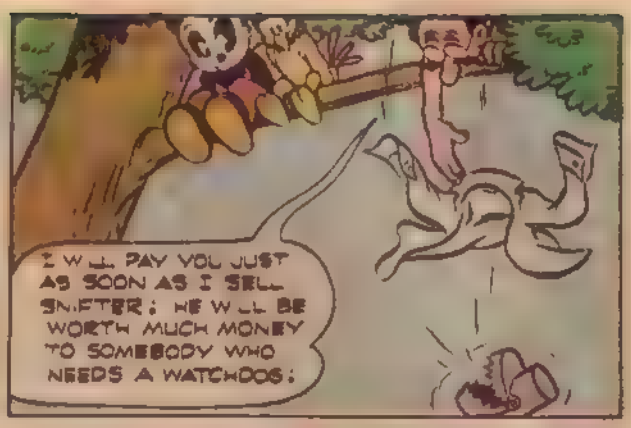

AND THE ONLY FUEL HE BURNS IS CLOTH --- JUST ABOUT ANY KIND OF CLOTH!
R-RIP!
RIP!

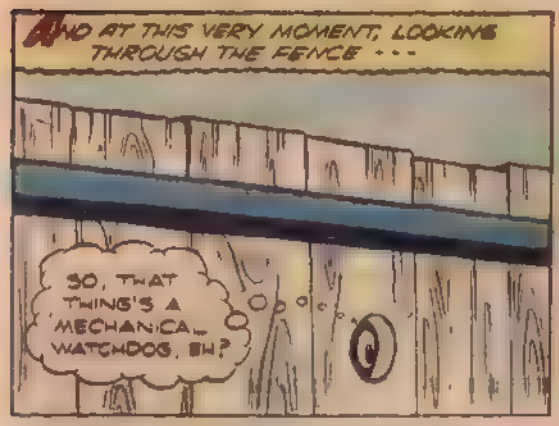

VERY CLEVER, PROFESSOR! BUT YOU'D BETTER TURN OFF YOUR MECHANIZED MUTT BEFORE YOU CATCH COLD.
DEAR ME.

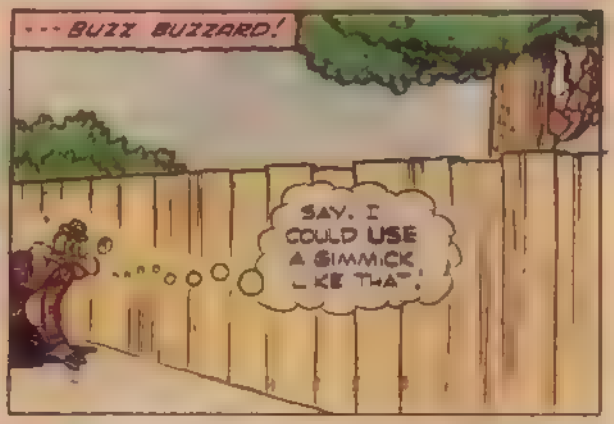

ALL I CAN DO IS HUMOR SNIFTER AT MEALTIME!


I HATE TO MENTION IT, PROFESSOR ZIGGLE, BUT YOU OWE ME THE PRICE OF A NEW LAWN MOWER.
EH? HOW'S THAT?

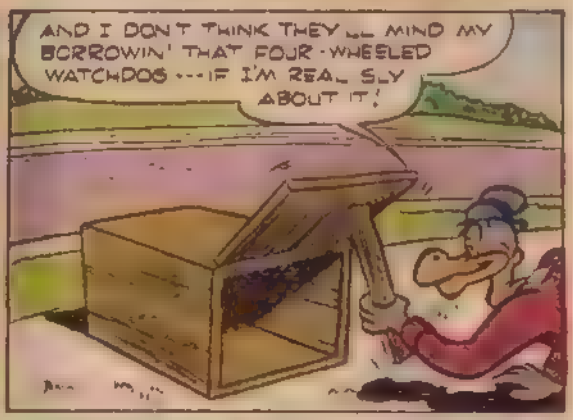

WELL, I BROKE MY LAWN MOWER WHEN I RAN OVER SNIFTER'S TAIL!
TSK! TSK! WHAT A SHAME!

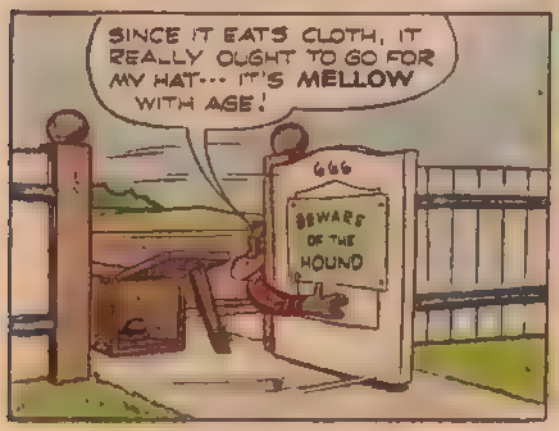

I WILL PAY YOU JUST AS SOON AS I SELL SNIFTER; HE WILL BE WORTH MUCH MONEY TO SOMEBODY WHO NEEDS A WATCHDOG!

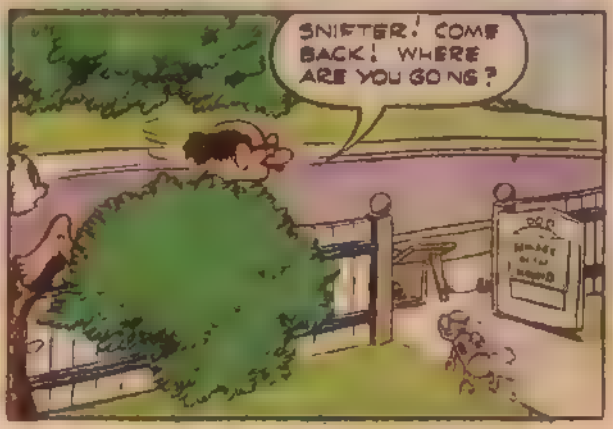

AND AT THIS VERY MOMENT, LOOKING THROUGH THE FENCE ...
SO, THAT THING'S A MECHANICAL WATCHDOG, EH?

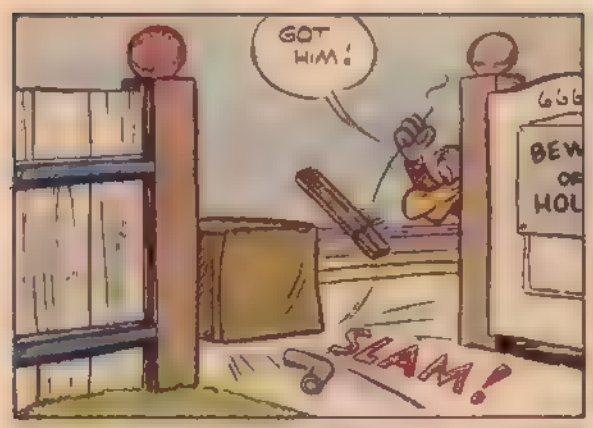

... BUZZ BUZZARD!
SAY, I COULD USE A GIMMICK LIKE THAT!

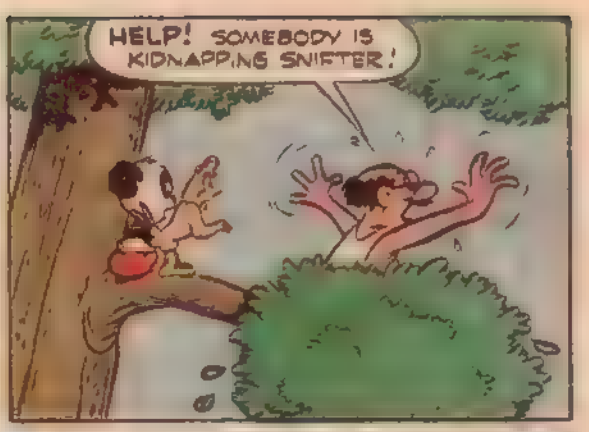
IT'LL BE SWELL FOR CHASIN' AWAY BILL COLLECTORS.

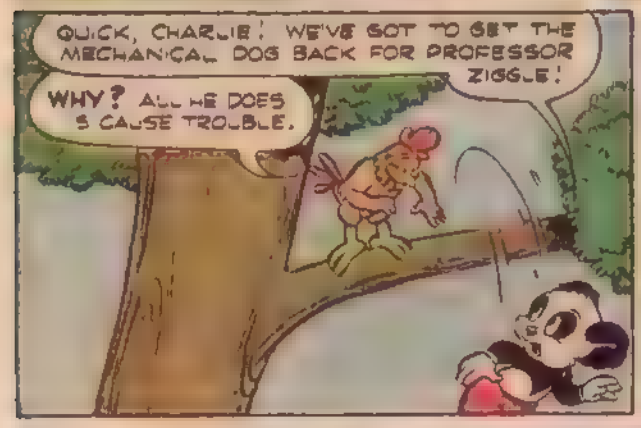

AND I DON'T THINK THEY'LL MIND MY BORROWIN' THAT FOUR-WHEELED WATCHDOG ... IF I'M REAL SLY ABOUT IT!

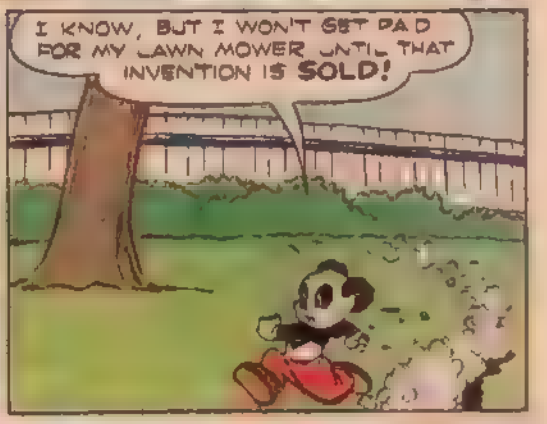

SINCE IT EATS CLOTH, IT REALLY OUGHT TO GO FOR MY HAT... IT'S MELLOW WITH AGE!
666
BEWARE OF THE HOUND

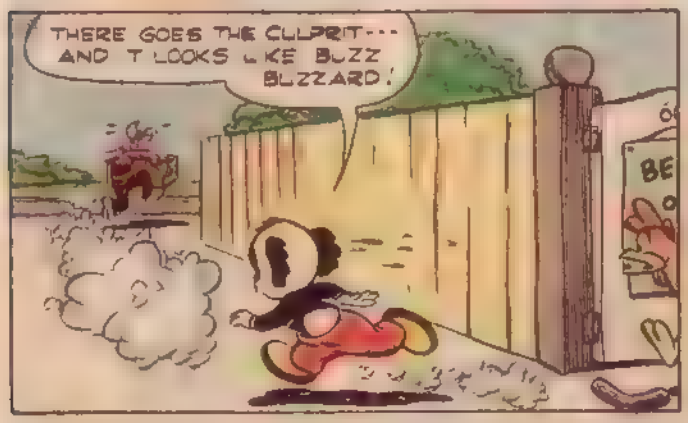

SNIFTER! COME BACK! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

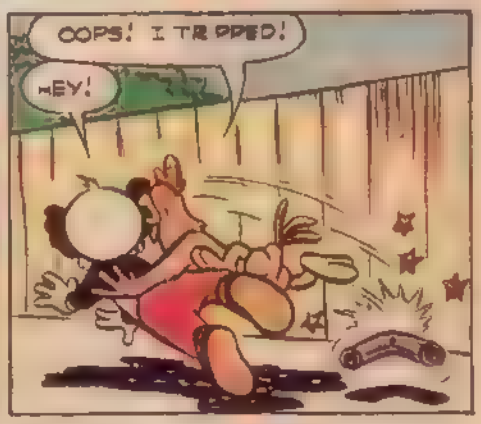

GOT HIM!
SLAM!

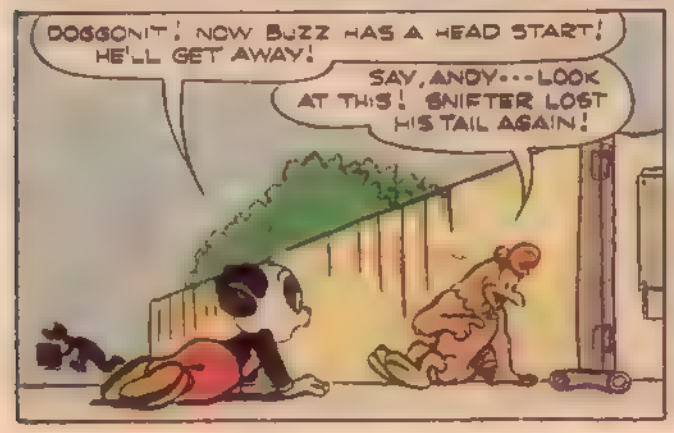

HELP! SOMEBODY IS KIDNAPPING SNIFTER!

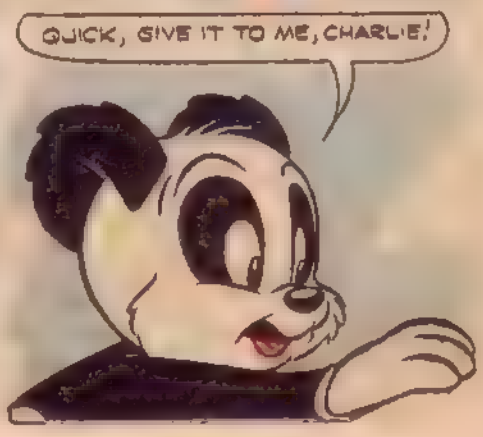

QUICK, CHARLIE! WE'VE GOT TO GET THE MECHANICAL DOG BACK FOR PROFESSOR ZIGGLE!
WHY? ALL HE DOES IS CAUSE TROUBLE.

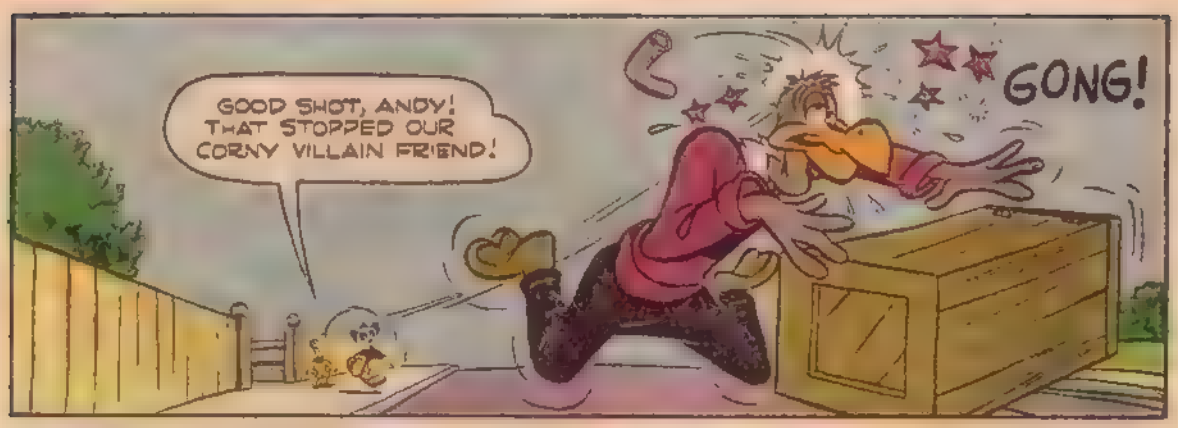

I KNOW, BUT I WON'T GET PAID FOR MY LAWN MOWER UNTIL THAT INVENTION IS SOLD!

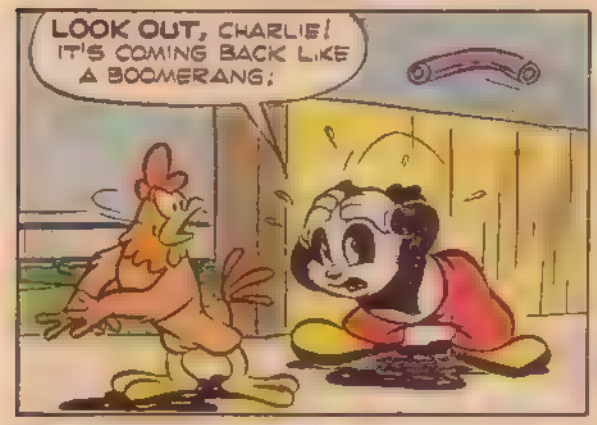

THERE GOES THE CULPRIT... AND IT LOOKS LIKE BUZZ BUZZARD!

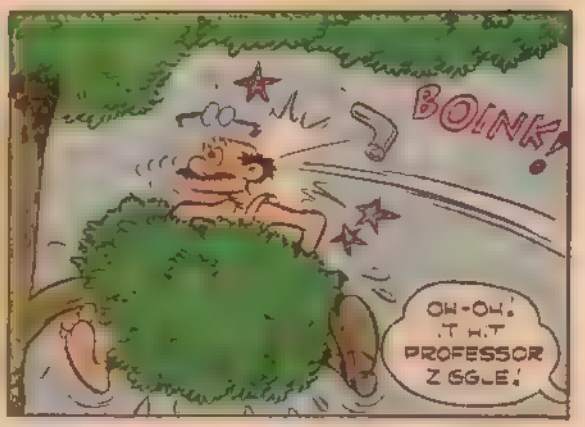

OOPS! I TRIPPED!
HEY!

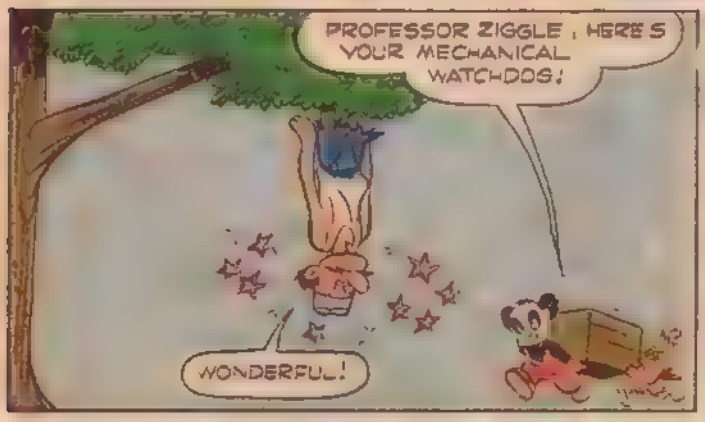

DOGGONIT! NOW BUZZ HAS A HEAD START! HE'LL GET AWAY!
SAY, ANDY...LOOK AT THIS! SNIFTER LOST HIS TAIL AGAIN!

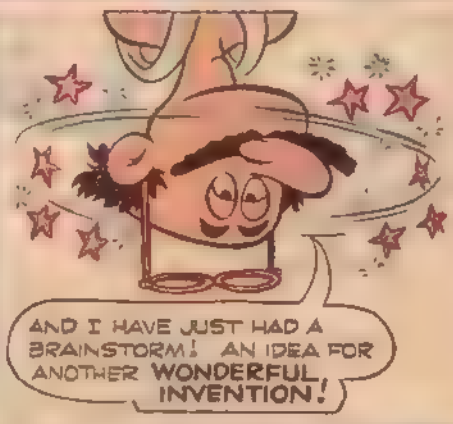

QUICK, GIVE IT TO ME, CHARLIE!

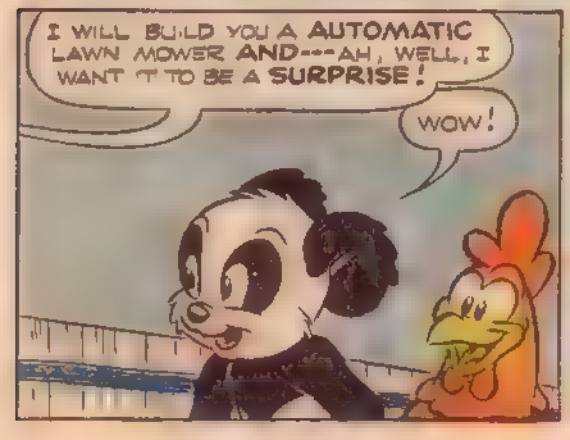

GOOD SHOT, ANDY! THAT STOPPED OUR CORNY VILLAIN FRIEND!
GONG!

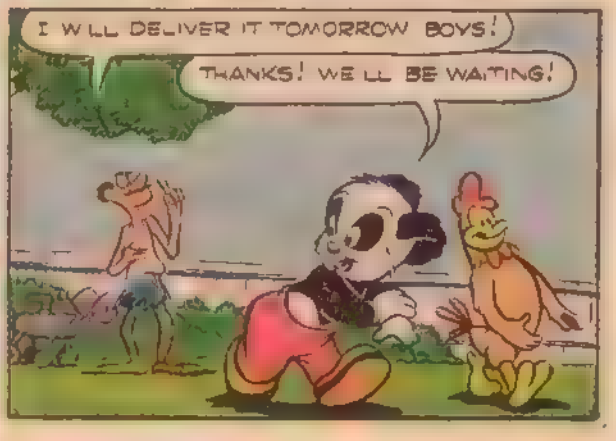

LOOK OUT, CHARLIE! IT'S COMING BACK LIKE A BOOMERANG!

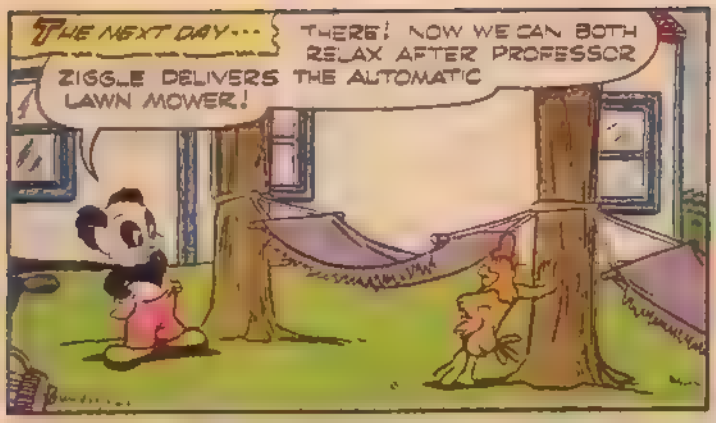

BOINK!
OH-OH! IT HIT PROFESSOR ZIGGLE!

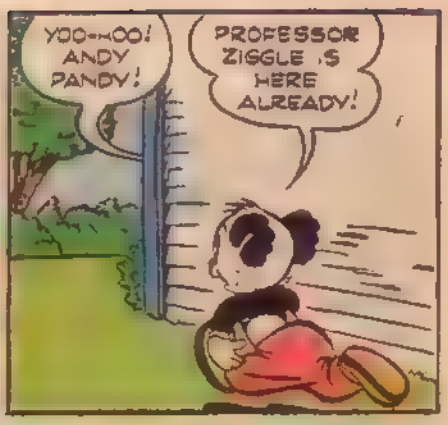

PROFESSOR ZIGGLE, HERE'S YOUR MECHANICAL WATCHDOG!
WONDERFUL!

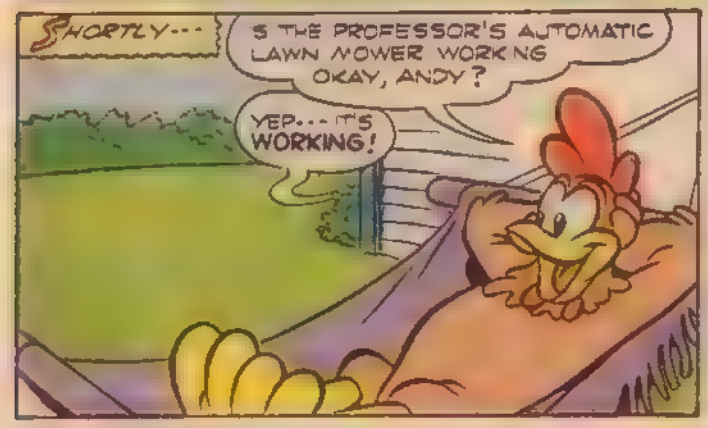

AND I HAVE JUST HAD A BRAINSTORM! AN IDEA FOR ANOTHER WONDERFUL INVENTION!


I WILL BUILD YOU A AUTOMATIC LAWN MOWER AND---AH, WELL, I WANT IT TO BE A SURPRISE!
WOW!

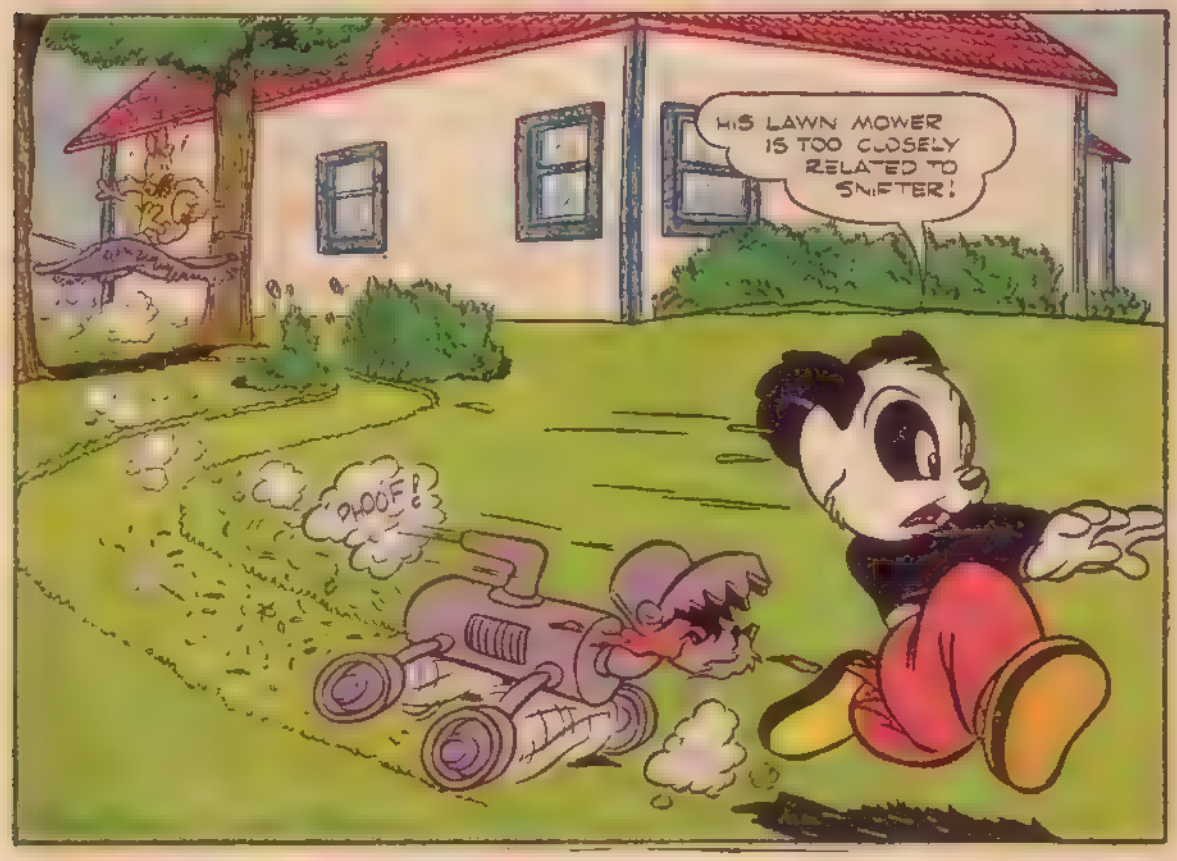

I WILL DELIVER IT TOMORROW BOYS!
THANKS! WE'LL BE WAITING!


THE NEXT DAY...
THERE! NOW WE CAN BOTH RELAX AFTER PROFESSOR ZIGGLE DELIVERS THE AUTOMATIC LAWN MOWER!


YOO-HOO! ANDY PANDY!
PROFESSOR ZIGGLE IS HERE ALREADY!

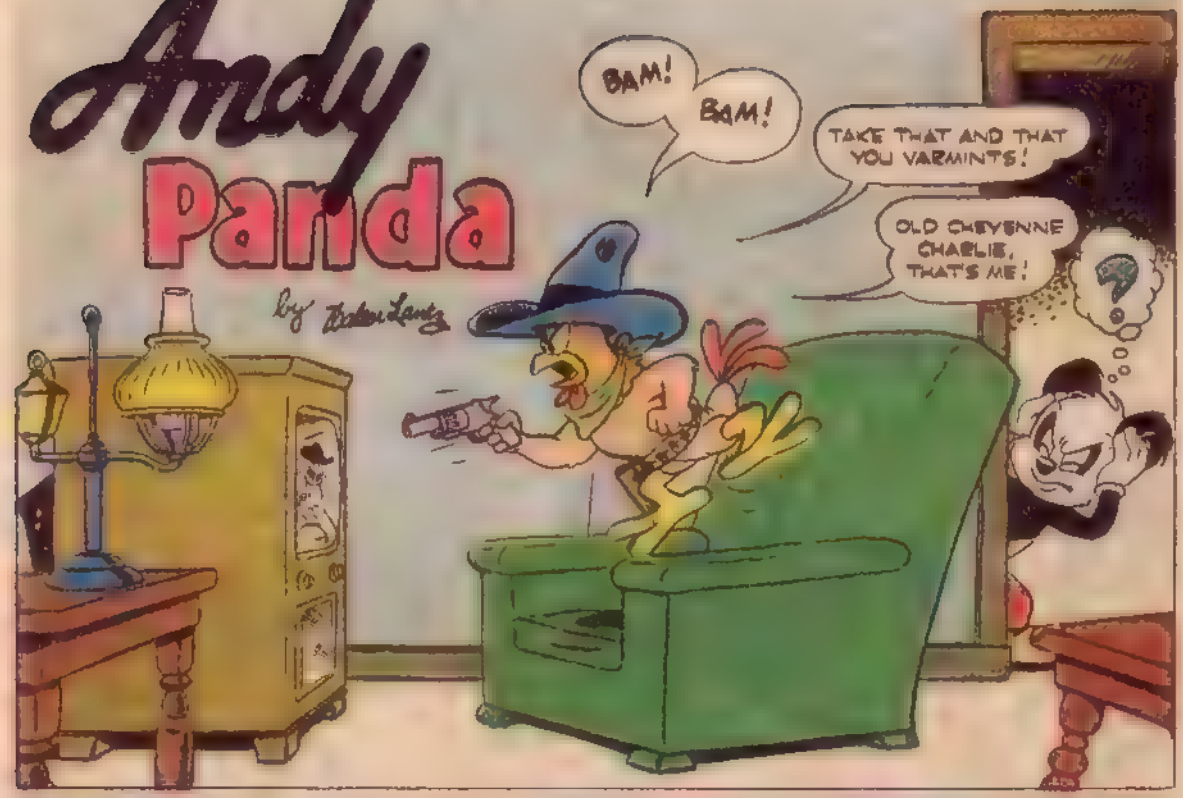

SHORTLY...
IS THE PROFESSOR'S AUTOMATIC LAWN MOWER WORKING OKAY, ANDY?
YEP... IT'S WORKING!

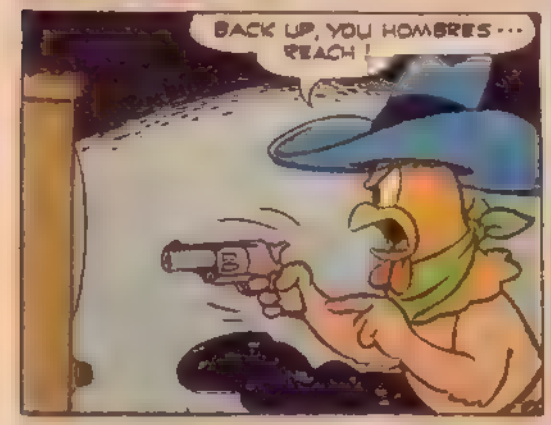
THERE IS ONLY ONE TROUBLE WITH IT!

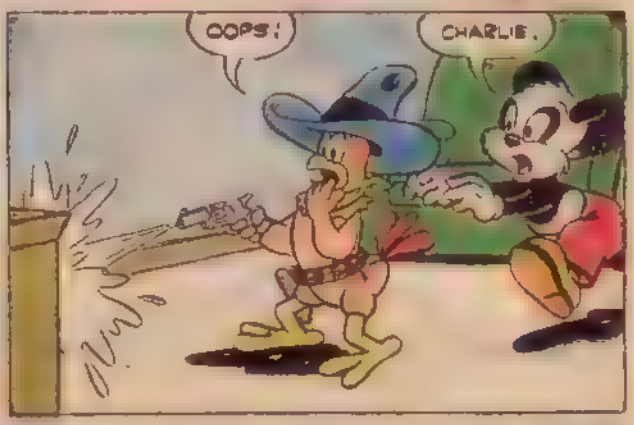

HIS LAWN MOWER IS TOO CLOSELY RELATED TO SNIFTER!
PLOOF!

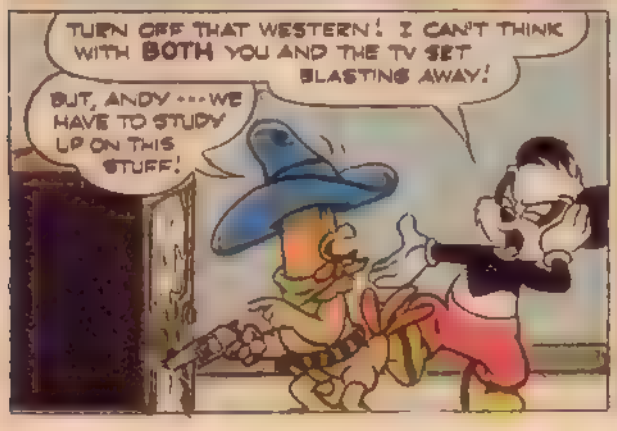
Andy Panda

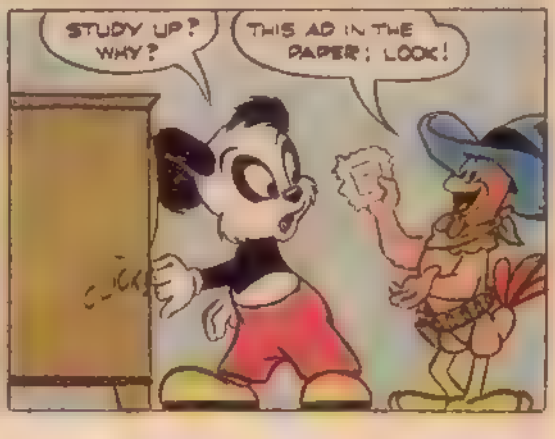
by Walter Lantz

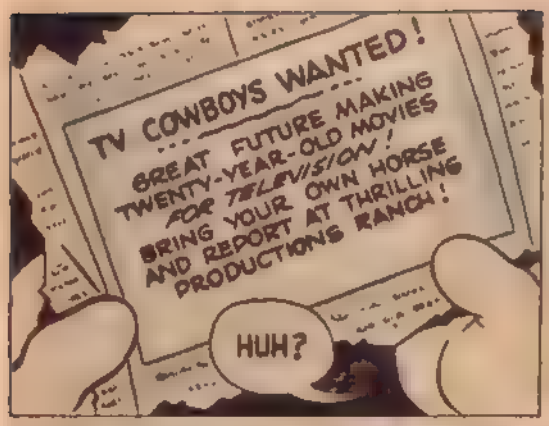


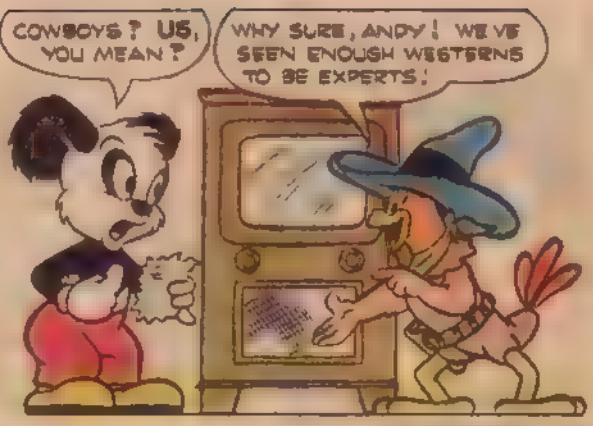


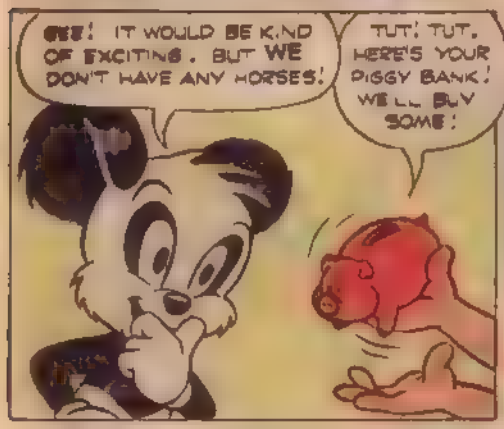


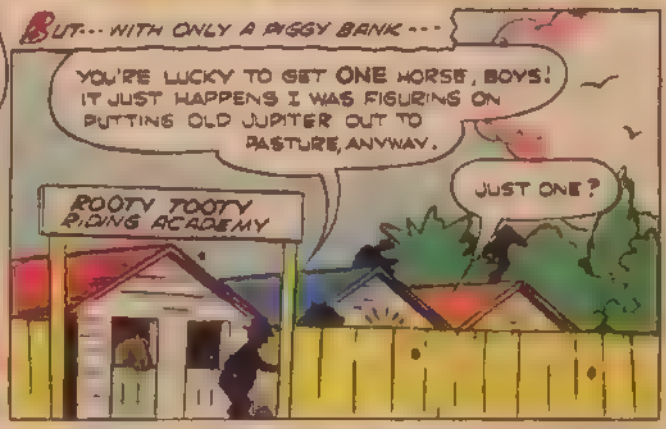


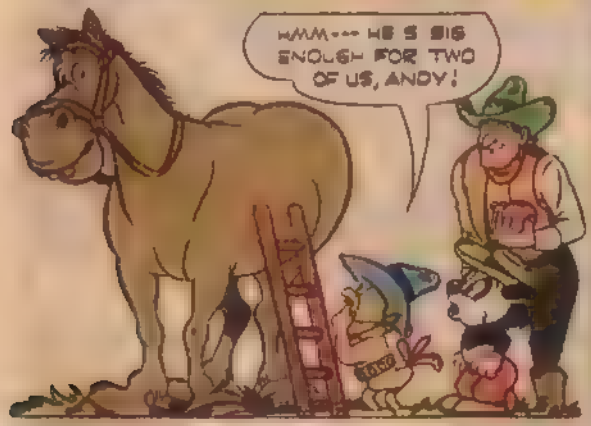


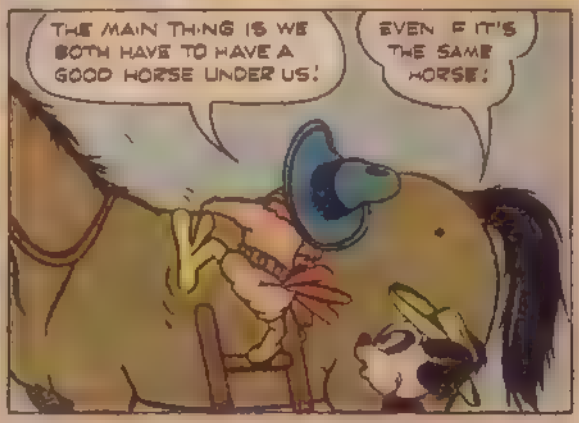

TV COWBOYS WANTED!
GREAT FUTURE MAKING TWENTY-YEAR-OLD MOVIES FOR TELEVISION!
BRING YOUR OWN HORSE AND REPORT AT THRILLING PRODUCTIONS RANCH!
HUH?

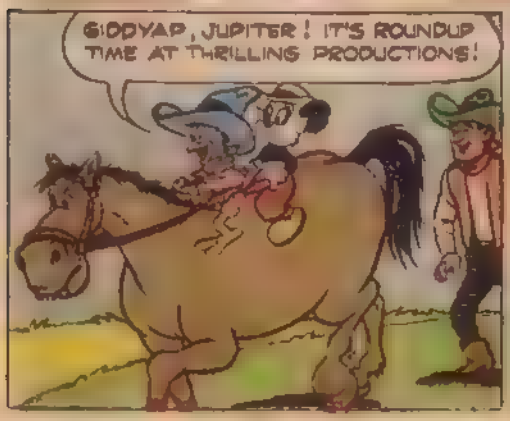

COWBOYS? US, YOU MEAN?
WHY SURE, ANDY! WE'VE SEEN ENOUGH WESTERNS TO BE EXPERTS!


GEE! IT WOULD BE KIND OF EXCITING. BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANY HORSES!
TUT! TUT. HERE'S YOUR PIGGY BANK! WE'LL BUY SOME!

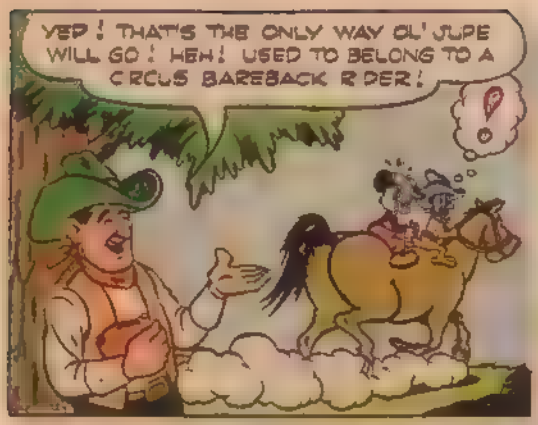

BUT... WITH ONLY A PIGGY BANK...
YOU'RE LUCKY TO GET ONE HORSE, BOYS! IT JUST HAPPENS I WAS FIGURING ON PUTTING OLD JUPITER OUT TO PASTURE, ANYWAY.
JUST ONE?
ROOTY TOOTY RIDING ACADEMY


HMM... HE'S BIG ENOUGH FOR TWO OF US, ANDY!


THE MAIN THING IS WE BOTH HAVE TO HAVE A GOOD HORSE UNDER US!
EVEN IF IT'S THE SAME HORSE!


GIDDYAP, JUPITER! IT'S ROUNDUP TIME AT THRILLING PRODUCTIONS!

HEY! I SAID ROUNDUP... NOT ROUND AND AROUND!
FOR GOSH SAKES! HE JUST KEEPS GOING IN CIRCLES!


YEP! THAT'S THE ONLY WAY OL' JUPE WILL GO! HEH! USED TO BELONG TO A CIRCUS BAREBACK RIDER!
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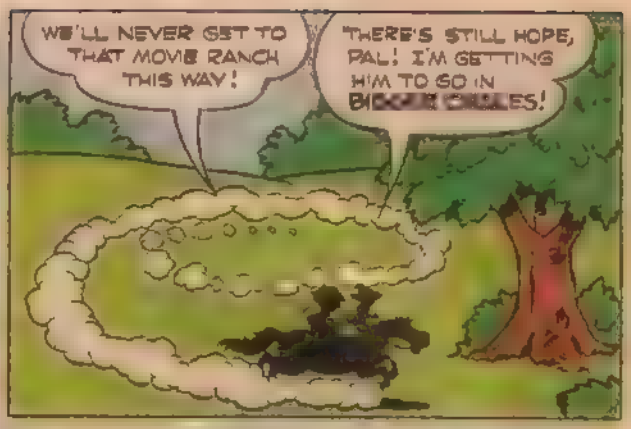
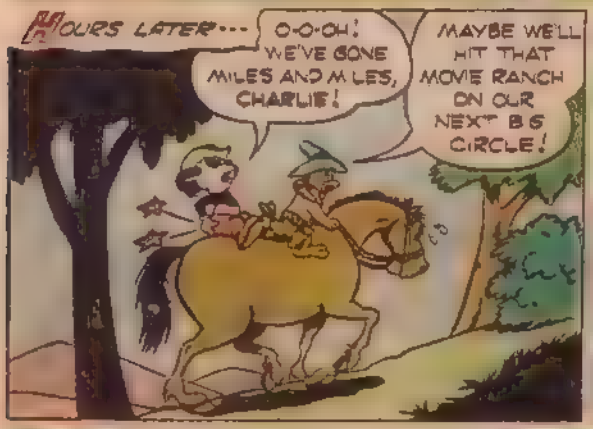
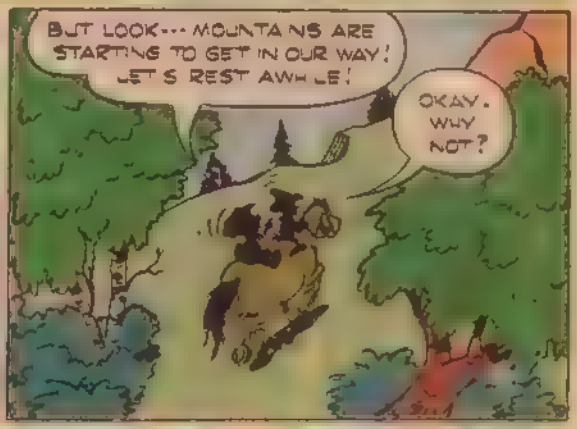

WE'LL NEVER GET TO THAT MOVIE RANCH THIS WAY!
THERE'S STILL HOPE, PAL! I'M GETTING HIM TO GO IN BIGGER CIRCLES!


HOURS LATER...
O-O-OH! WE'VE GONE MILES AND MILES, CHARLIE!
MAYBE WE'LL HIT THAT MOVIE RANCH ON OUR NEXT BIG CIRCLE!


BUT LOOK... MOUNTAINS ARE STARTING TO GET IN OUR WAY! LET'S REST AWHILE!
OKAY. WHY NOT?

NOTHING WRONG WITH RESTING ON THE TRAIL! THEY DO IT ALL THE TIME IN WESTERNS!
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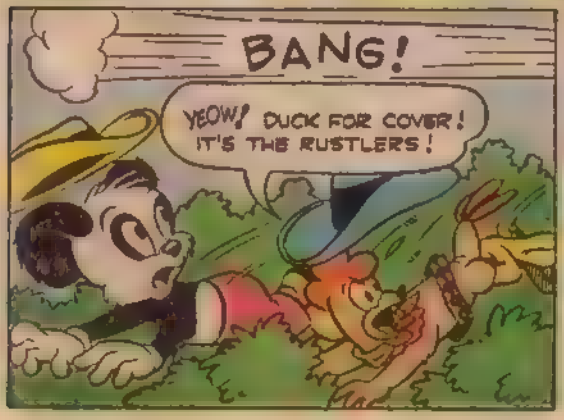
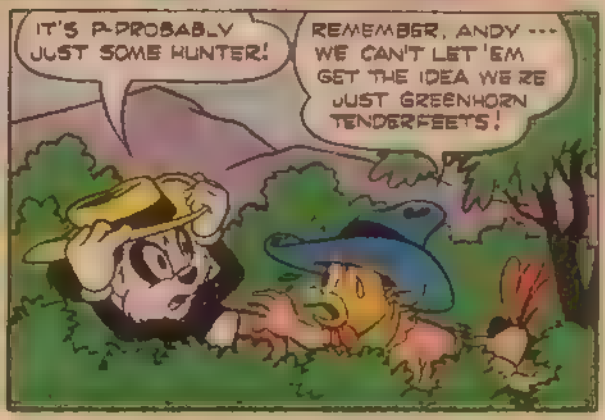
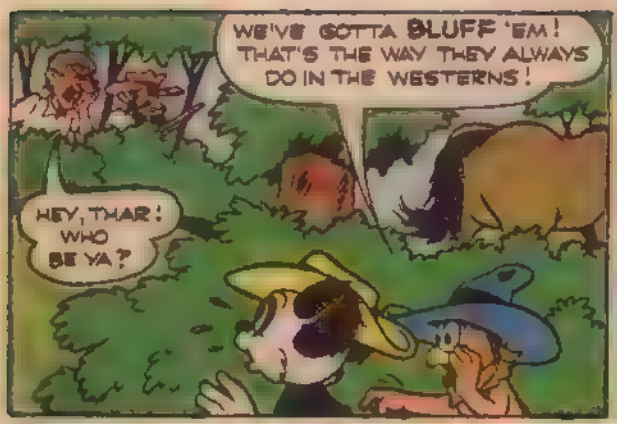
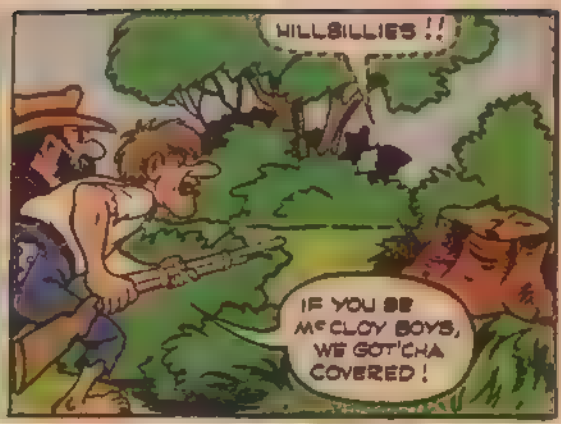
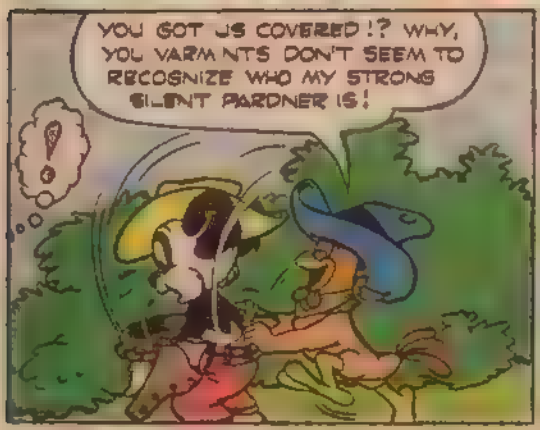

BANG!
YEOW! DUCK FOR COVER! IT'S THE RUSTLERS!


IT'S P-PROBABLY JUST SOME HUNTER!
REMEMBER, ANDY... WE CAN'T LET 'EM GET THE IDEA WE'RE JUST GREENHORN TENDERFEETS!


WE'VE GOTTA BLUFF 'EM! THAT'S THE WAY THEY ALWAYS DO IN THE WESTERNS!
HEY, THAR! WHO BE YA?


HILLBILLIES!!
IF YOU BE McCLOY BOYS, WE GOT'CHA COVERED!


YOU GOT US COVERED!? WHY, YOU VARMINTS DON'T SEEM TO RECOGNIZE WHO MY STRONG SILENT PARDNER IS!
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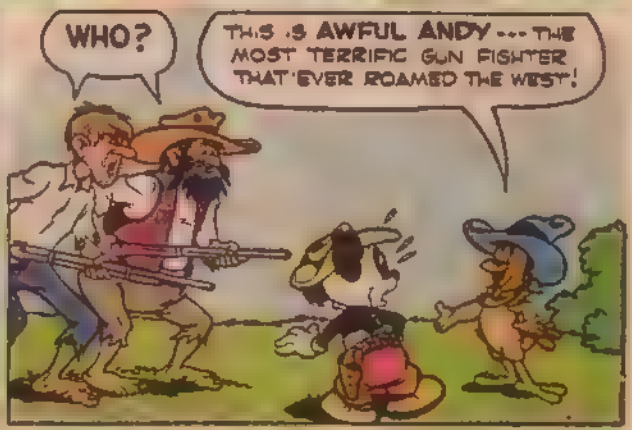
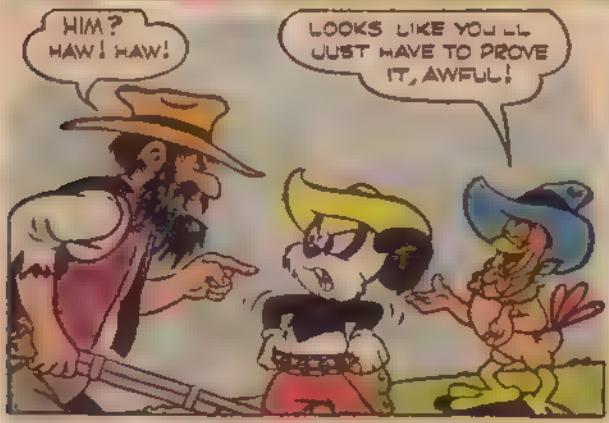
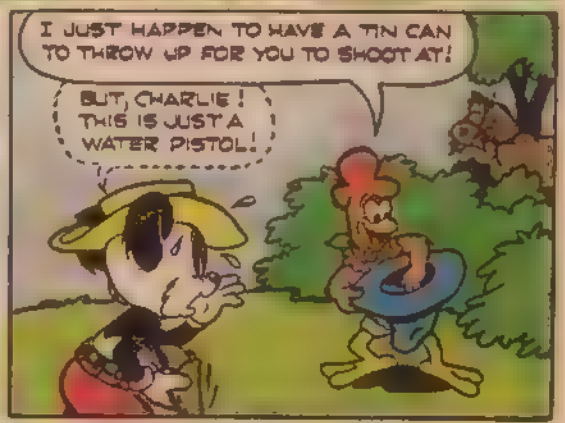
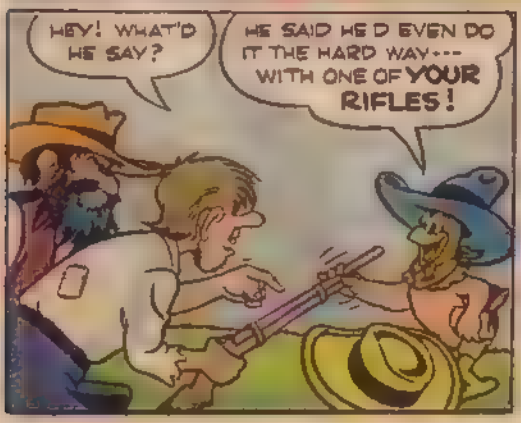
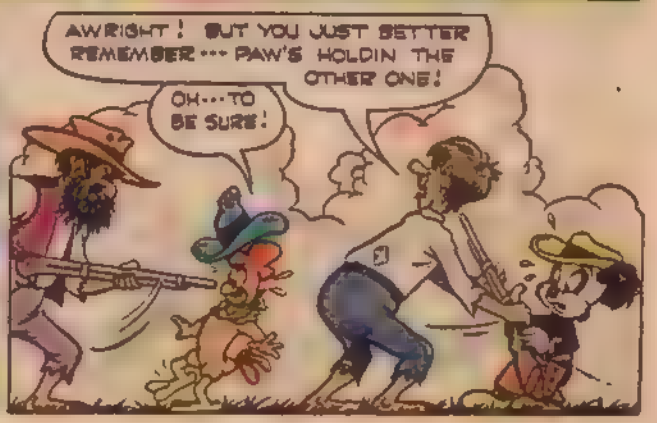
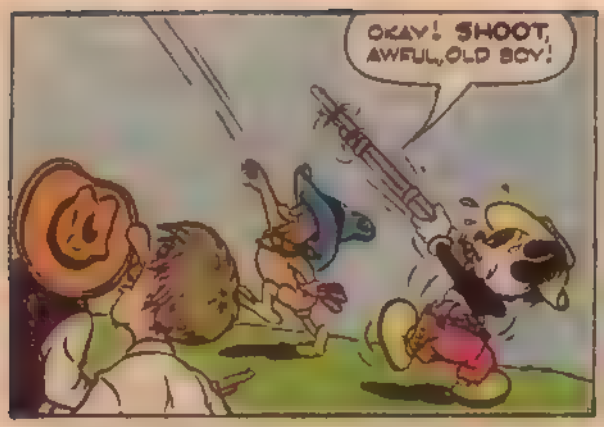

WHO?
THIS IS AWFUL ANDY --- THE MOST TERRIFIC GUN FIGHTER THAT'EVER ROAMED THE WEST!

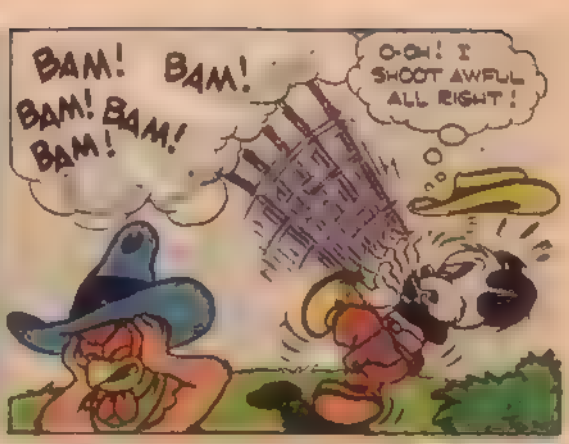

HIM? HAW! HAW!
LOOKS LIKE YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO PROVE IT, AWFUL!

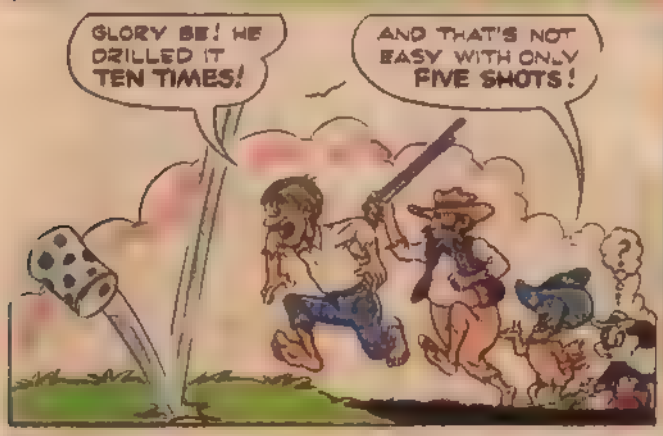

I JUST HAPPEN TO HAVE A TIN CAN TO THROW UP FOR YOU TO SHOOT AT!
BUT, CHARLIE! THIS IS JUST A WATER PISTOL!

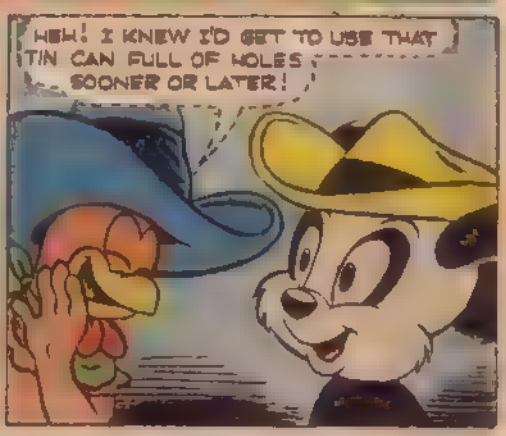

HEY! WHAT'D HE SAY?
HE SAID HE'D EVEN DO IT THE HARD WAY --- WITH ONE OF YOUR RIFLES!

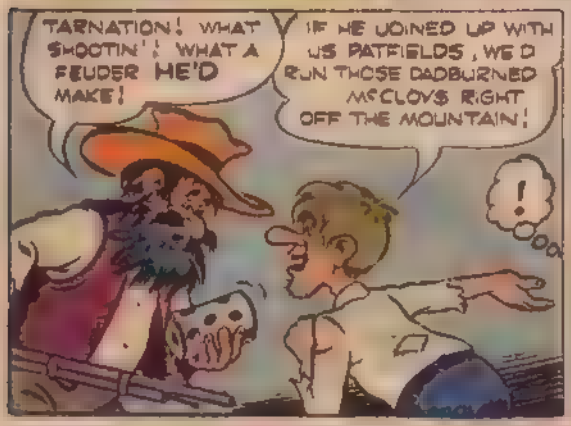

AWRIGHT! BUT YOU JUST BETTER REMEMBER --- PAW'S HOLDIN THE OTHER ONE!
OH --- TO BE SURE!


OKAY! SHOOT, AWFUL, OLD BOY!


BAM! BAM! BAM! BAM! BAM!
O-OH! I SHOOT AWFUL ALL RIGHT!


GLORY BE! HE DRILLED IT TEN TIMES!
AND THAT'S NOT EASY WITH ONLY FIVE SHOTS!


HEH! I KNEW I'D GET TO USE THAT TIN CAN FULL OF HOLES SOONER OR LATER!


TARNATION! WHAT SHOOTIN'! WHAT A FEUDER HE'D MAKE!
IF HE UOINED UP WITH US PATFIELDS, WE'D RUN THOSE DADBURNED McCLOYS RIGHT OFF THE MOUNTAIN!
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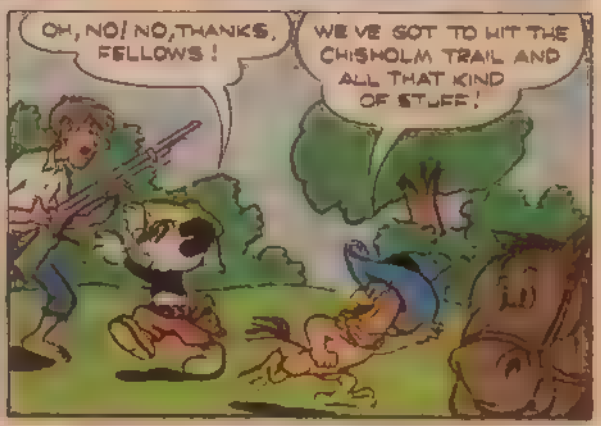
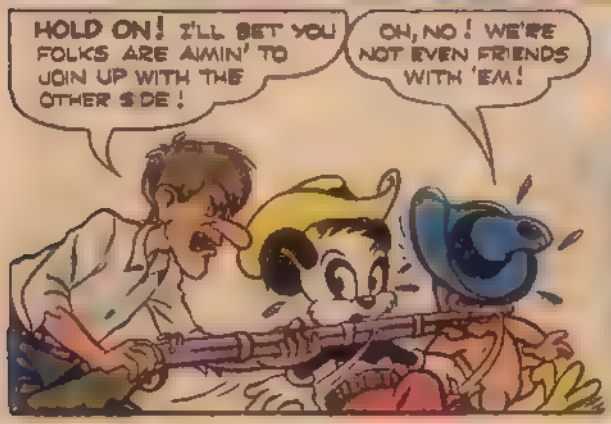
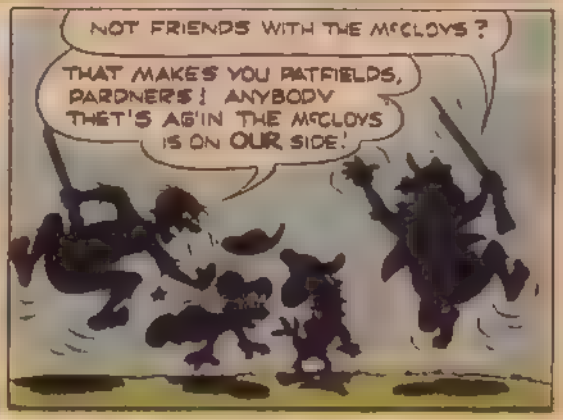
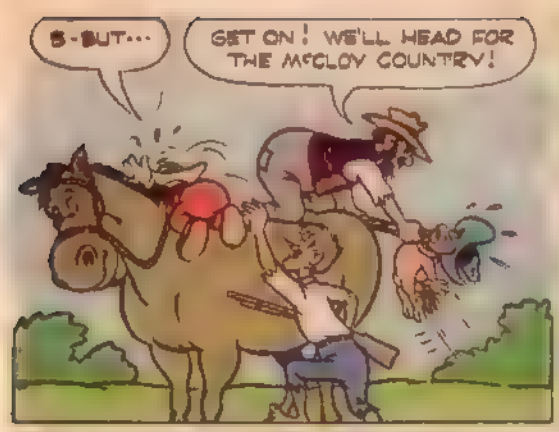
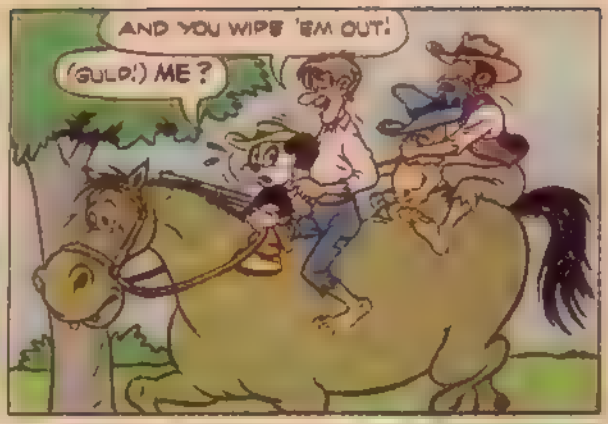
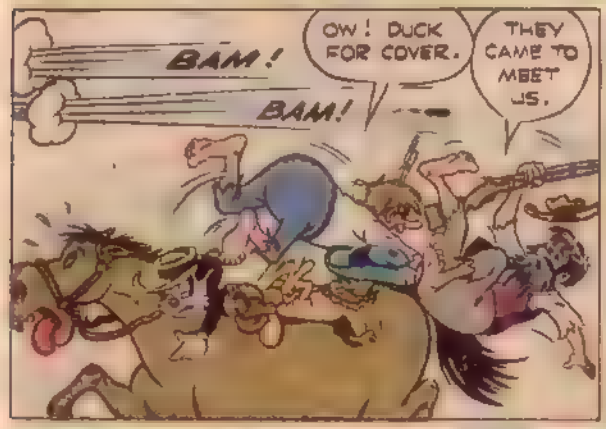

OH, NO! NO, THANKS, FELLOWS!
WE'VE GOT TO HIT THE CHISHOLM TRAIL AND ALL THAT KIND OF STUFF!

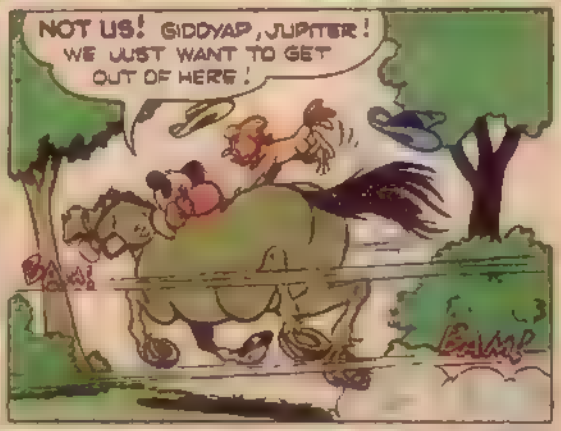

HOLD ON! I'LL BET YOU FOLKS ARE AIMIN' TO UOIN UP WITH THE OTHER SIDE!
OH, NO! WE'RE NOT EVEN FRIENDS WITH 'EM!


NOT FRIENDS WITH THE McCLOYS?
THAT MAKES YOU PATFIELDS, PARDNERS! ANYBODY THET'S AG'IN THE McCLOYS IS ON OUR SIDE!


B-BUT...
GET ON! WE'LL HEAD FOR THE McCLOY COUNTRY!


AND YOU WIPE 'EM OUT!
(GULP!) ME?


BAM!
BAM!
OW! DUCK FOR COVER.
THEY CAME TO MEET US.


NOT US! GIDDYAP, JUPITER! WE JUST WANT TO GET OUT OF HERE!
BAM!
BAM!

THAT SHACK, ANDY! CIRCLE HIM INTO THAT SHACK.
THEY'S RUNNIN' AWAY FROM A GOOD FEUD!
CRITTERS LIKE THAT CAN'T BE TRUSTED!
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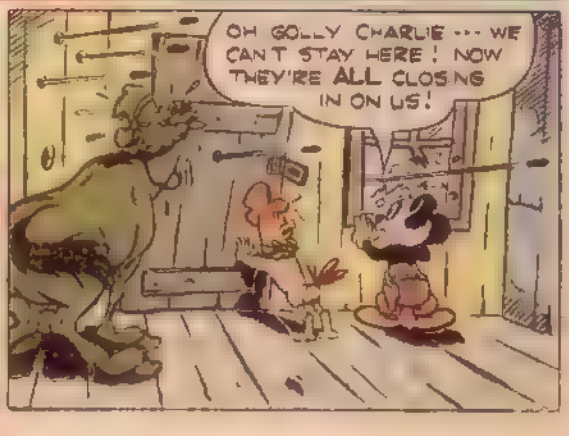
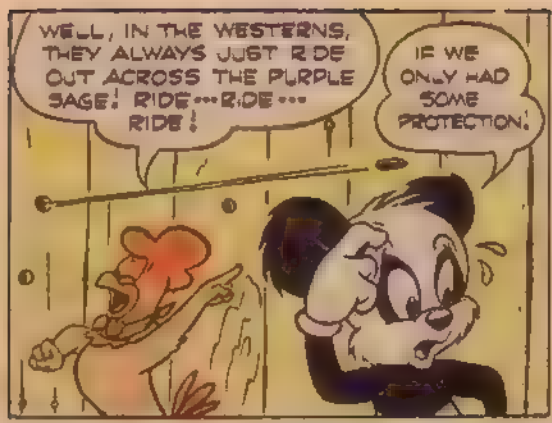
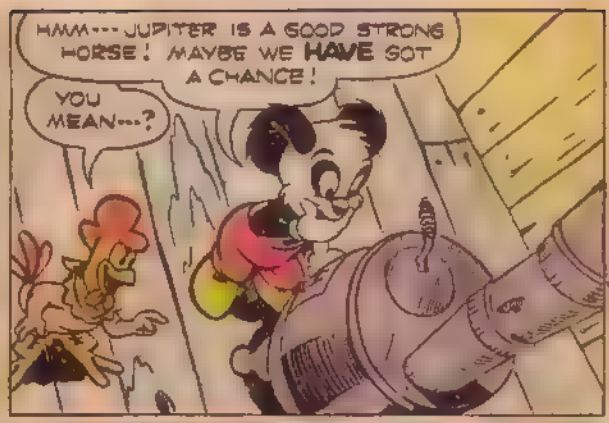
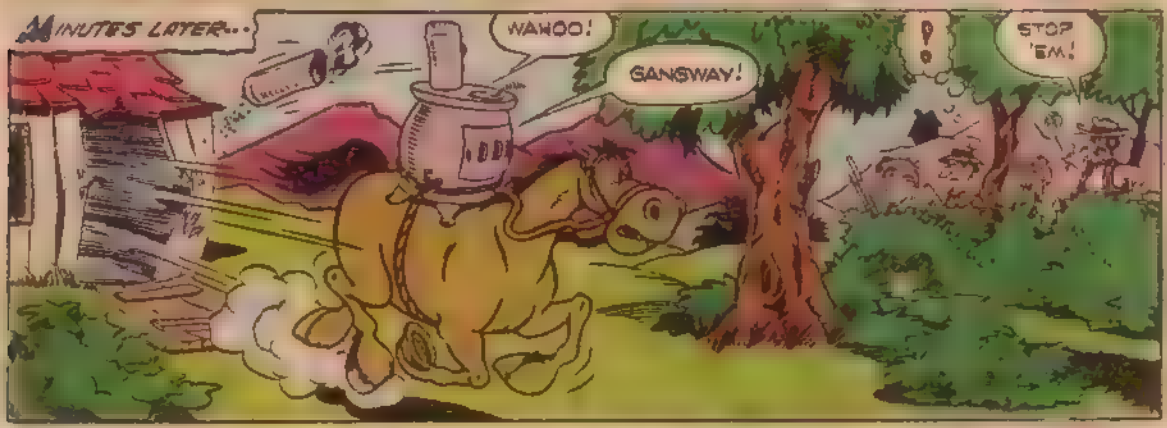
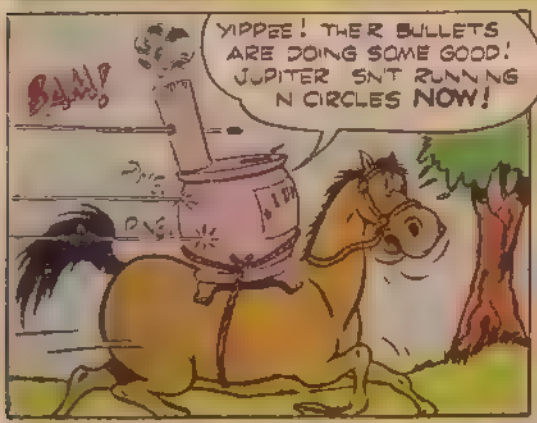
HEY, McCLOYS! THOSE TRAITORS ARE YOUR ENEMIES AS MUCH AS THEY ARE OURS!
RIGHT! LET'S JOIN TOGETHER AN' TEACH 'EM THEY CAN'T RUN OUT ON OUR FEUDS!

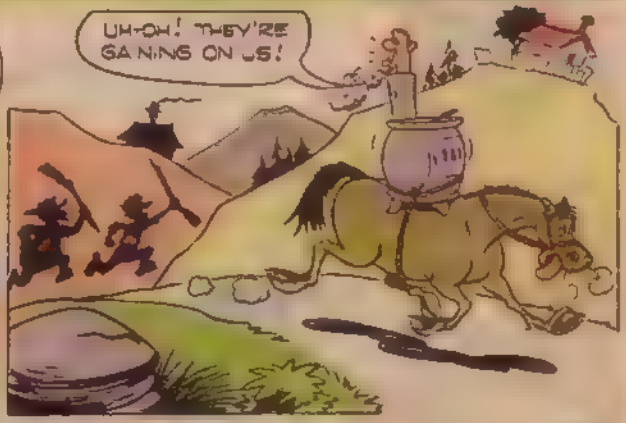

OH GOLLY CHARLIE... WE CAN'T STAY HERE! NOW THEY'RE ALL CLOSING IN ON US!


WELL, IN THE WESTERNS, THEY ALWAYS JUST RIDE OUT ACROSS THE PURPLE SAGE! RIDE---RIDE--- RIDE!
IF WE ONLY HAD SOME PROTECTION!

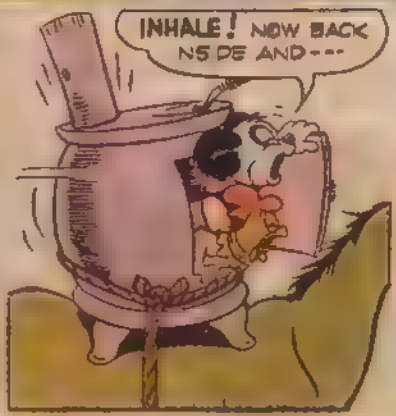

HMM---JUPITER IS A GOOD STRONG HORSE! MAYBE WE HAVE GOT A CHANCE!
YOU MEAN---?


MINUTES LATER...
WAHOO!
GANGWAY!
!
STOP 'EM!


YIPPEE! THEIR BULLETS ARE DOING SOME GOOD! JUPITER ISN'T RUNNING IN CIRCLES NOW!
BAM!
PING!

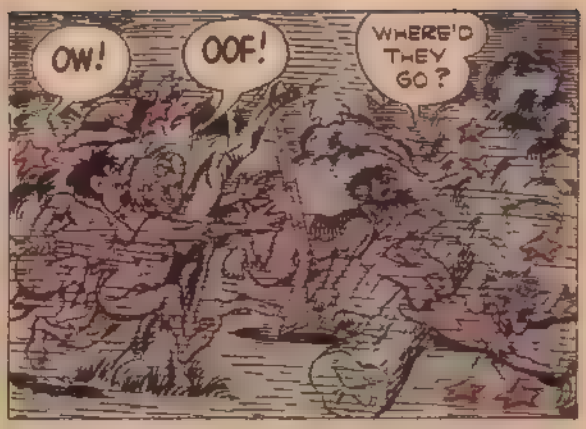

UH-OH! THEY'RE GAINING ON US!

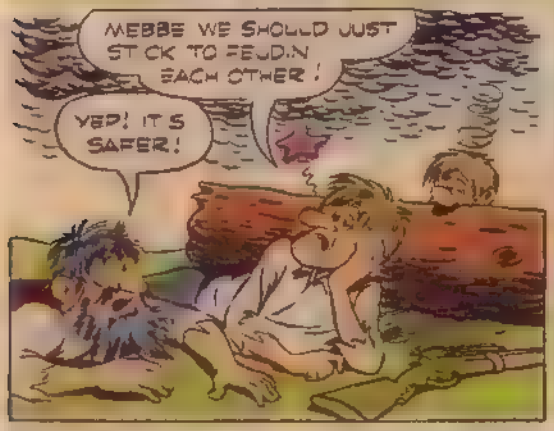
OH, THIS SOOT--- (COUGH! COUGH!)
QUICK! STICK YOUR HEAD OUT AND TAKE A DEEP BREATH!

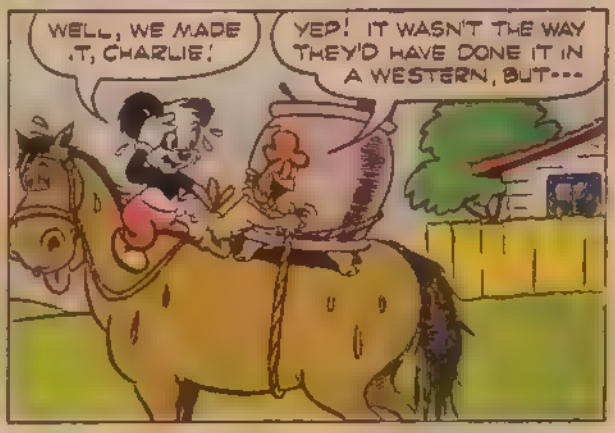

INHALE! NOW BACK INSIDE AND---

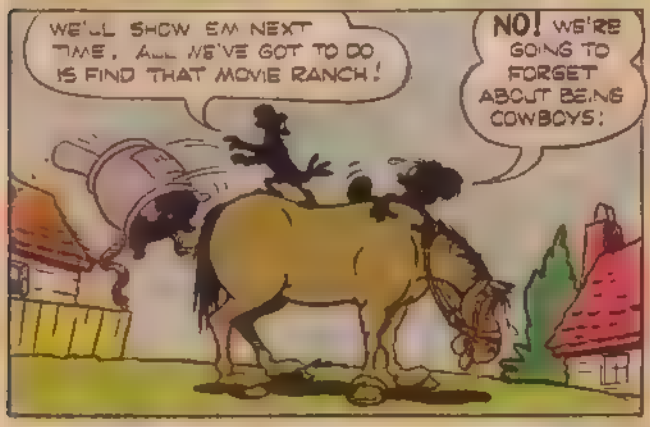
BLO-O-OW!
PONG!

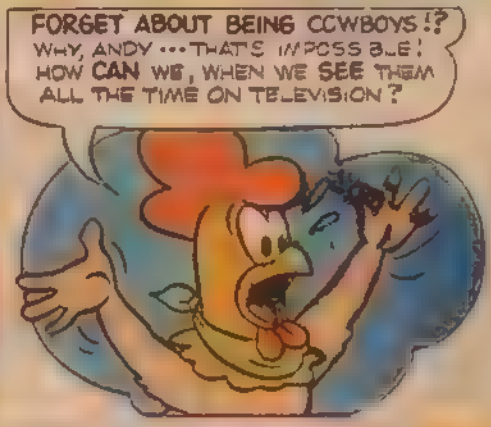
WHAT TH'---

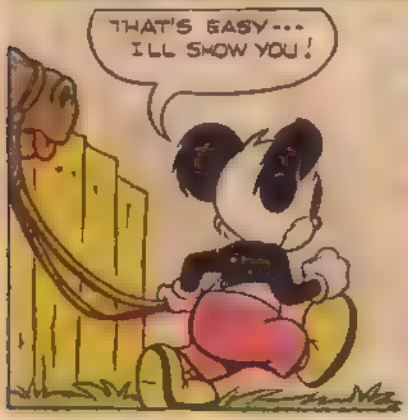

OW!
OOF!
WHERE'D THEY GO?

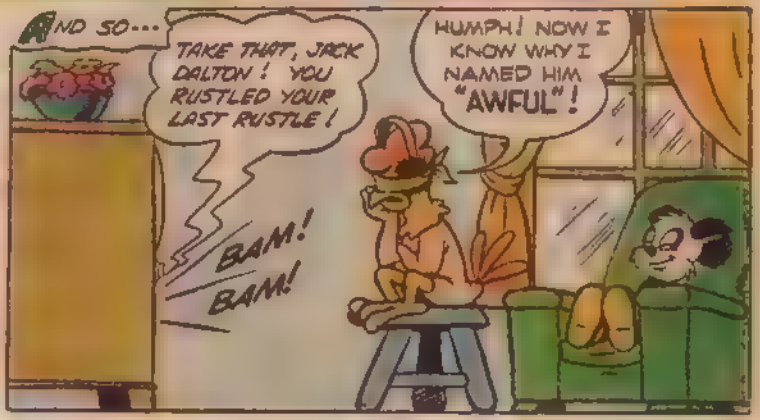

MEBBE WE SHOULD JUST STICK TO FEUDIN EACH OTHER!
YEP! IT'S SAFER!


WELL, WE MADE IT, CHARLIE!
YEP! IT WASN'T THE WAY THEY'D HAVE DONE IT IN A WESTERN, BUT---


WE'LL SHOW EM NEXT TIME. ALL WE'VE GOT TO DO IS FIND THAT MOVIE RANCH!
NO! WE'RE GOING TO FORGET ABOUT BEING COWBOYS!

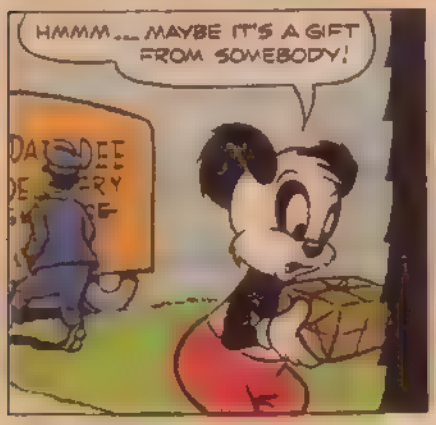

FORGET ABOUT BEING COWBOYS!? WHY, ANDY ... THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! HOW CAN WE, WHEN WE SEE THEM ALL THE TIME ON TELEVISION?

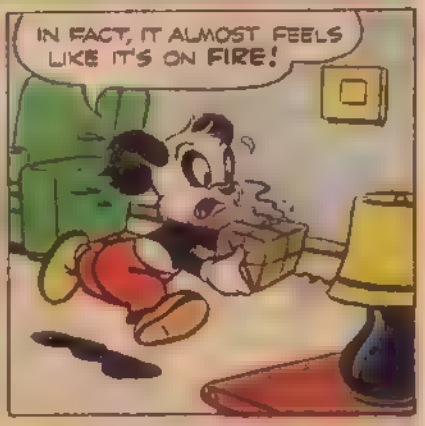

THAT'S EASY--- I'LL SHOW YOU!

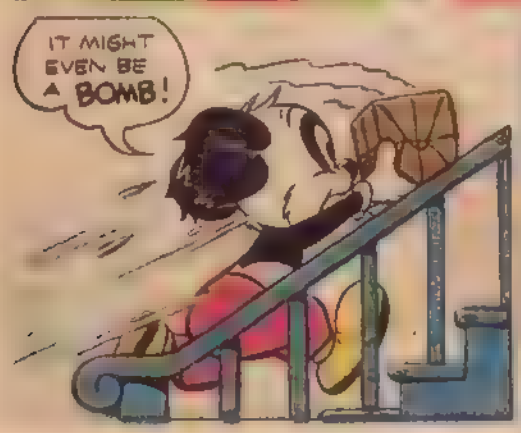

AND SO---
TAKE THAT, JACK DALTON! YOU RUSTLED YOUR LAST RUSTLE!
BAM! BAM!
HUMPH! NOW I KNOW WHY I NAMED HIM "AWFUL"!

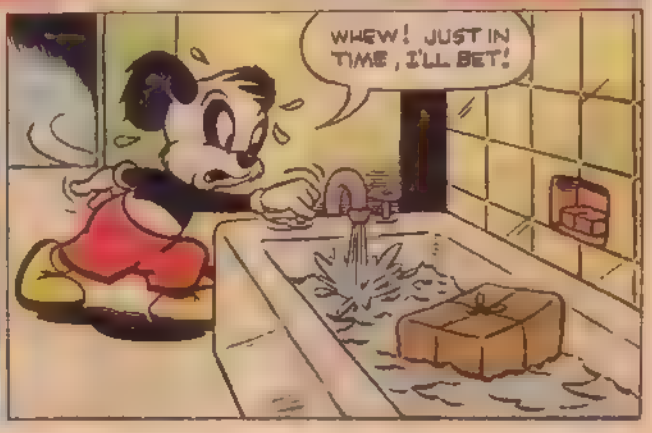
Andy Panda

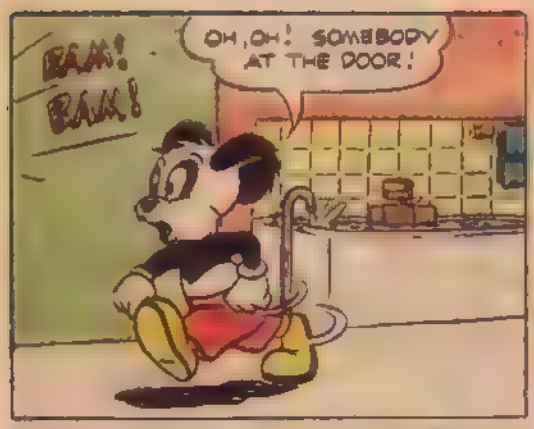
by Walter Lantz

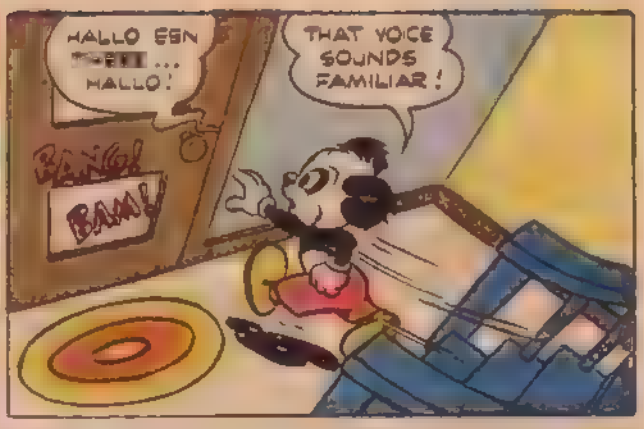


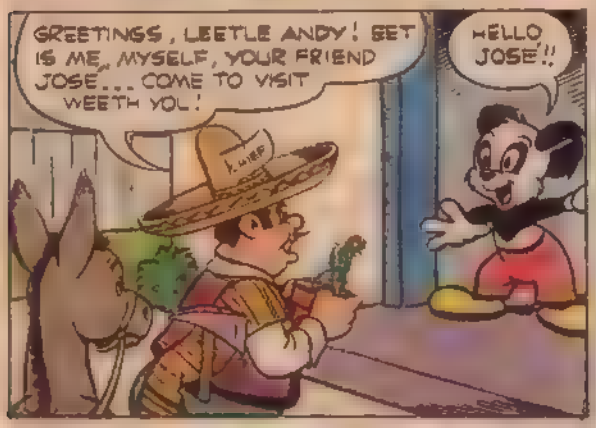


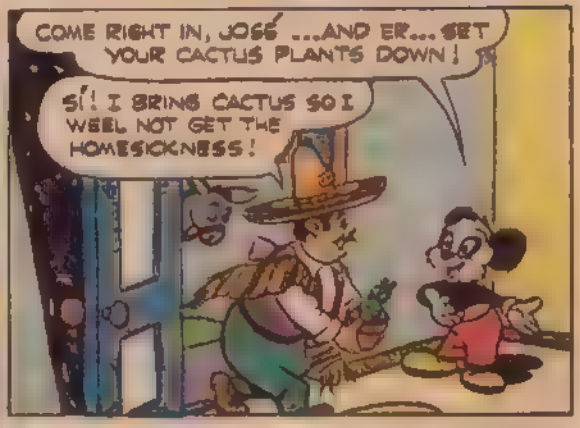


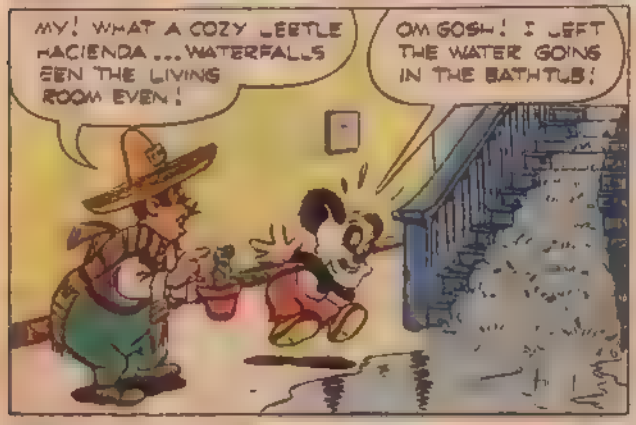


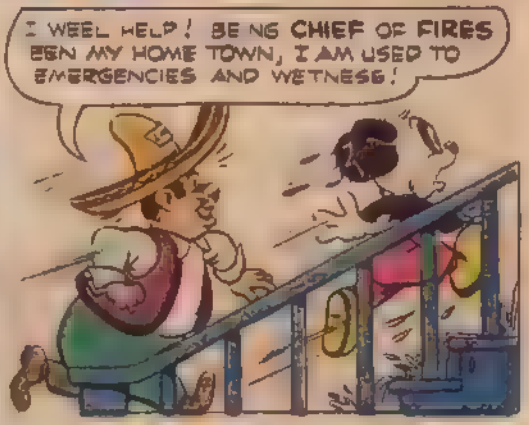

BAM! BAM!
OH, OH! SOMEBODY AT THE DOOR!

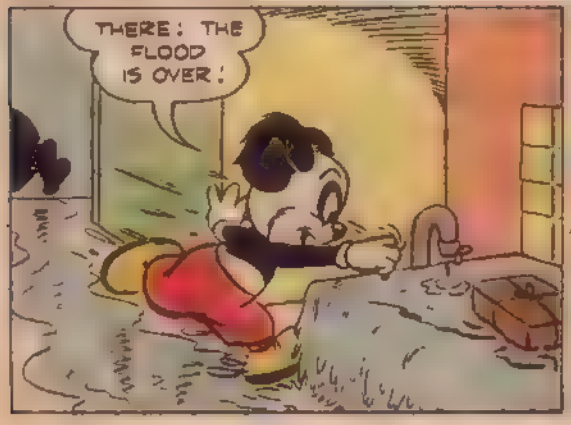

HALLO EEN ... HALLO!
THAT VOICE SOUNDS FAMILIAR!
BANG! BAM!

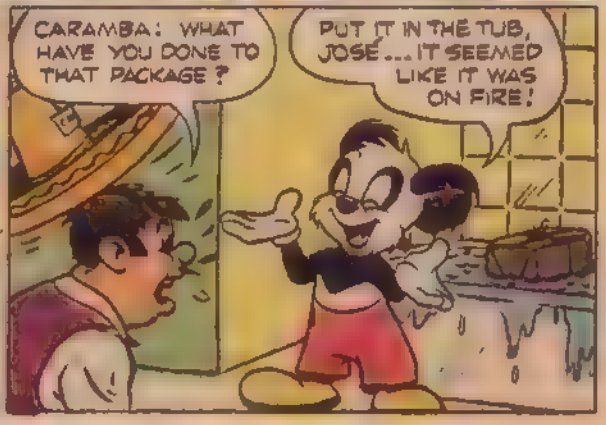

GREETINGS, LEETLE ANDY! EET IS ME, MYSELF, YOUR FRIEND JOSÉ... COME TO VISIT WEETH YOU!
HELLO JOSÉ!!

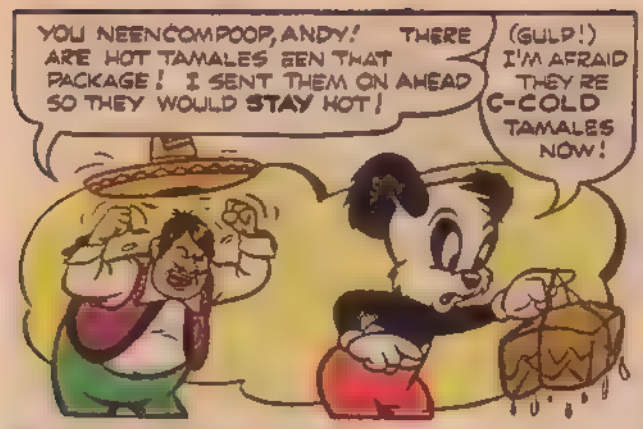

COME RIGHT IN, JOSÉ ...AND ER... SET YOUR CACTUS PLANTS DOWN!
SÍ! I BRING CACTUS SO I WEEL NOT GET THE HOMESICKNESS!

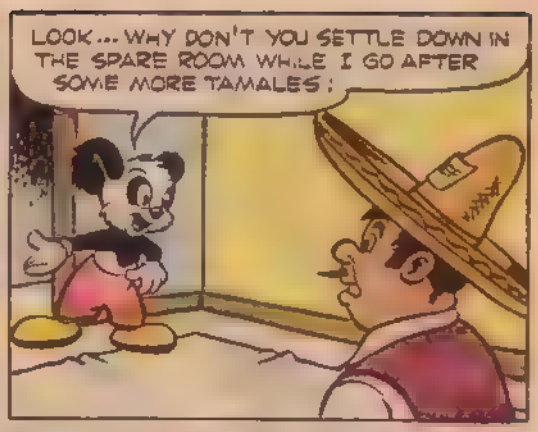

MY! WHAT A COZY LEETLE HACIENDA ...WATERFALLS EEN THE LIVING ROOM EVEN!
OH GOSH! I LEFT THE WATER GOING IN THE BATHTUB!

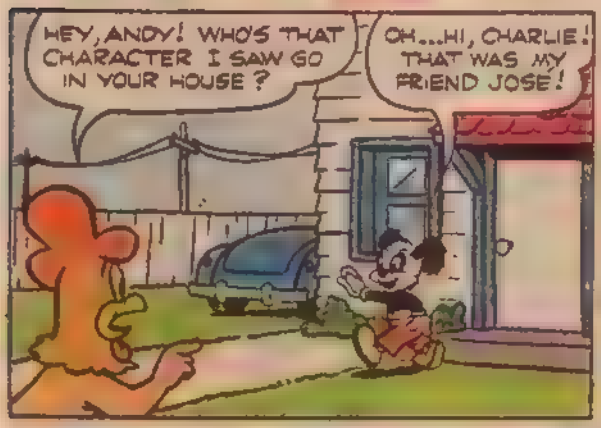

I WEEL HELP! BEING CHIEF OF FIRES EEN MY HOME TOWN, I AM USED TO EMERGENCIES AND WETNESS!

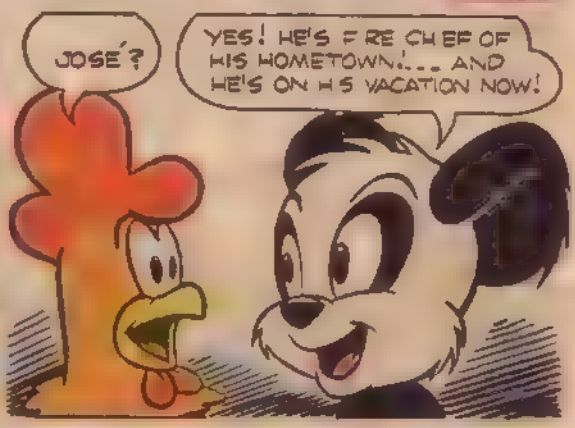

THERE: THE FLOOD IS OVER!

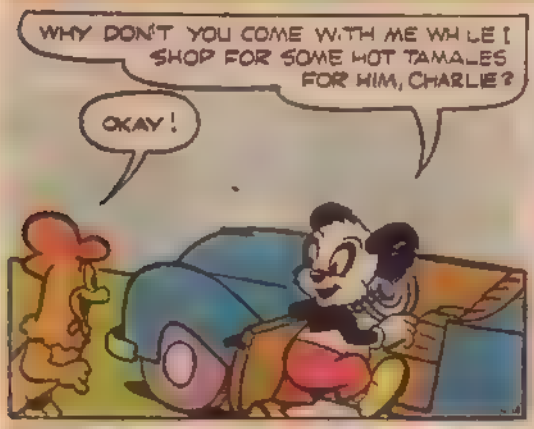

CARAMBA: WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO THAT PACKAGE?
PUT IT IN THE TUB, JOSÉ... IT SEEMED LIKE IT WAS ON FIRE!

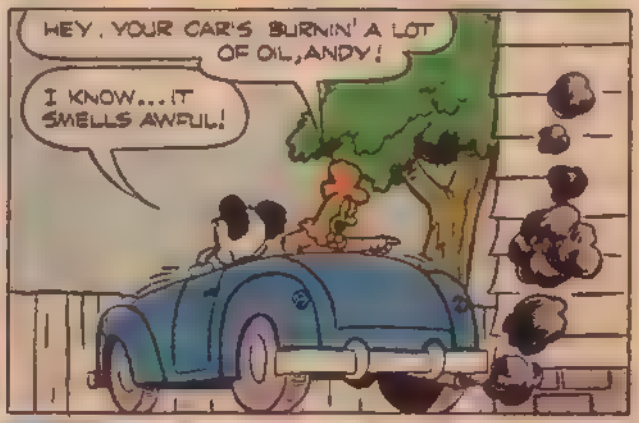

YOU NEENCOMPOOP, ANDY! THERE ARE HOT TAMALES EEN THAT PACKAGE! I SENT THEM ON AHEAD SO THEY WOULD STAY HOT!
(GULP!) I'M AFRAID THEY RE C-COLD TAMALES NOW!

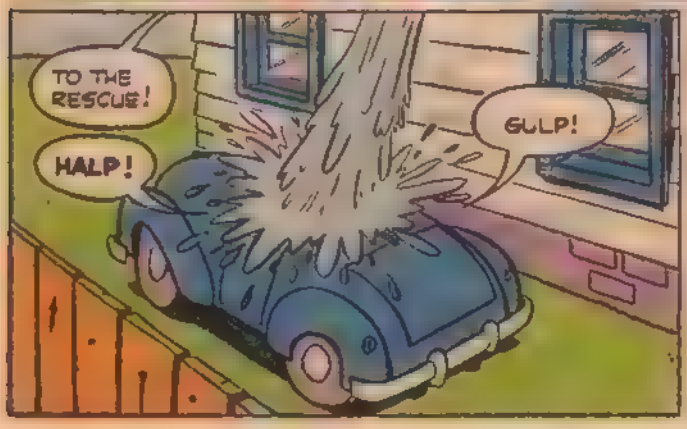

LOOK... WHY DON'T YOU SETTLE DOWN IN THE SPARE ROOM WHILE I GO AFTER SOME MORE TAMALES!

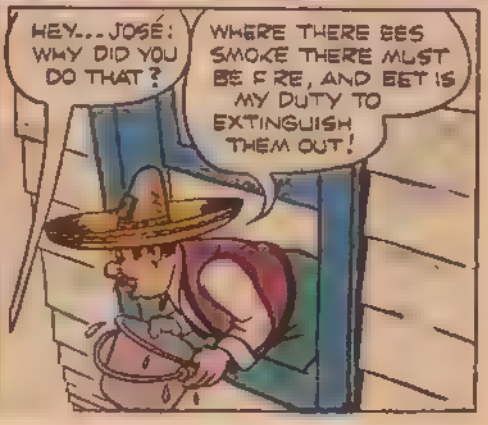

HEY, ANDY! WHO'S THAT CHARACTER I SAW GO IN YOUR HOUSE?
OH...HI, CHARLIE! THAT WAS MY FRIEND JOSE!

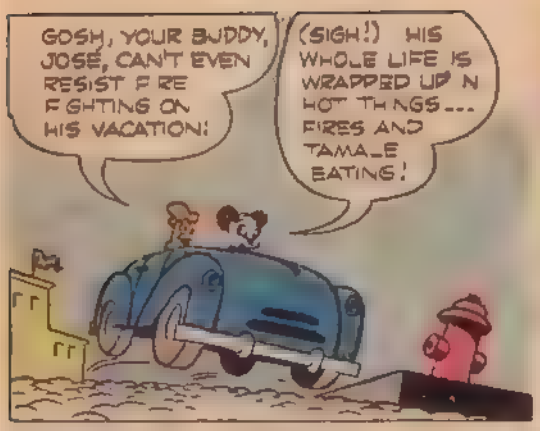

JOSÉ?
YES! HE'S FIRE CHIEF OF HIS HOMETOWN!... AND HE'S ON HIS VACATION NOW!

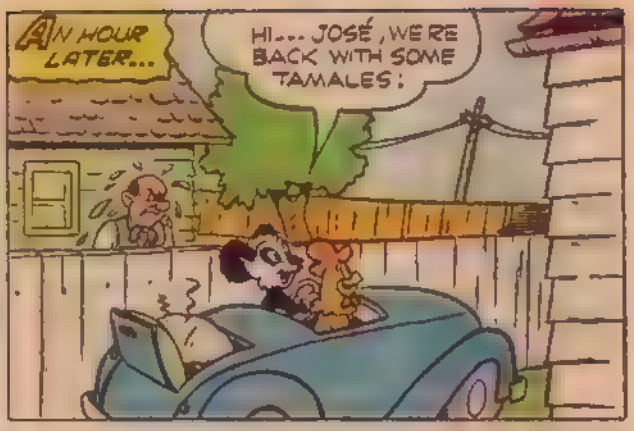

WHY DON'T YOU COME WITH ME WHILE I SHOP FOR SOME HOT TAMALES FOR HIM, CHARLIE?
OKAY!

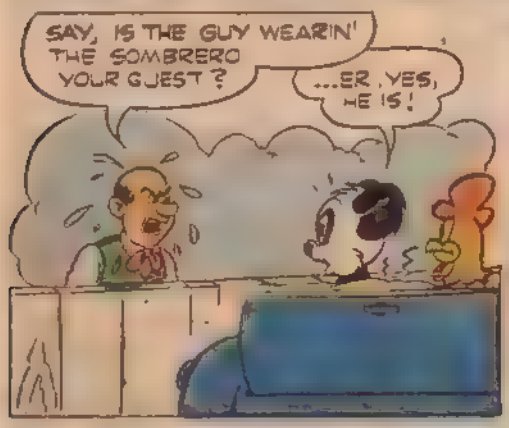

HEY, YOUR CAR'S BURNIN' A LOT OF OIL, ANDY!
I KNOW... IT SMELLS AWFUL!

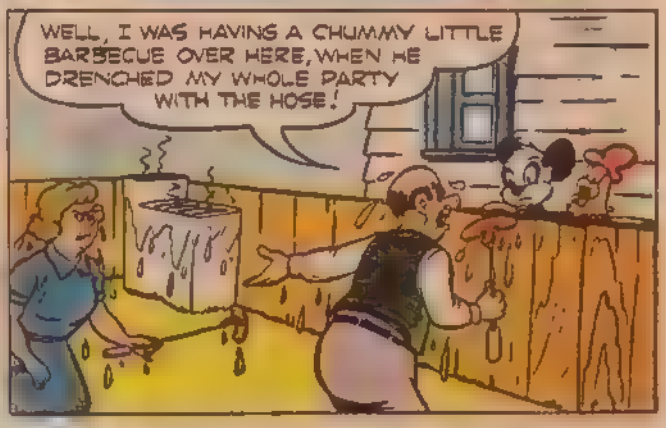

TO THE RESCUE!
HALP!
GULP!

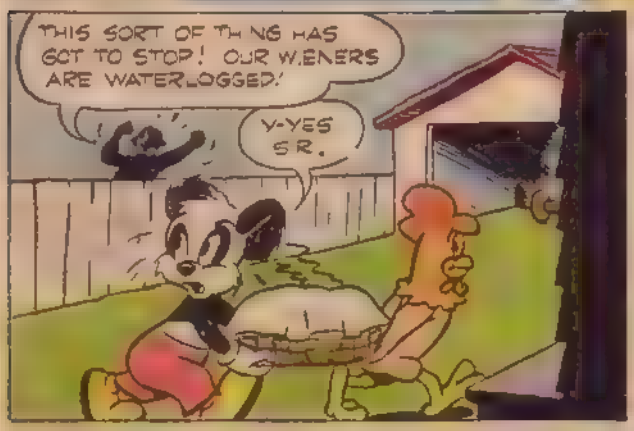

HEY... JOSÉ: WHY DID YOU DO THAT?
WHERE THERE EES SMOKE THERE MUST BE FIRE, AND EET IS MY DUTY TO EXTINGUISH THEM OUT!

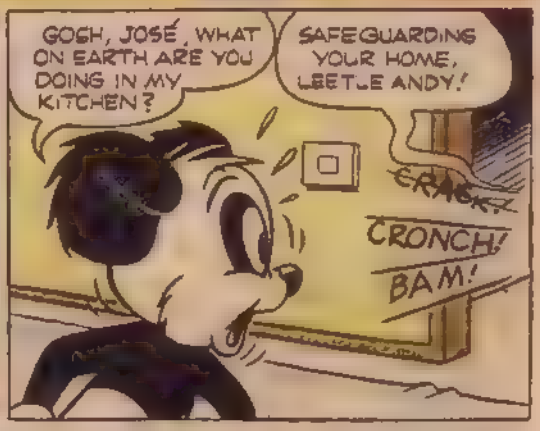

GOSH, YOUR BUDDY, JOSÉ, CAN'T EVEN RESIST FIRE FIGHTING ON HIS VACATION!
(SIGH!) HIS WHOLE LIFE IS WRAPPED UP IN HOT THINGS... FIRES AND TAMALE EATING!

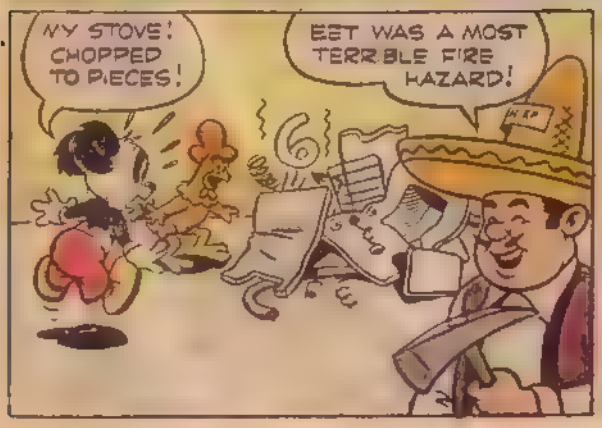

AN HOUR LATER...
HI... JOSÉ, WE'RE BACK WITH SOME TAMALES!

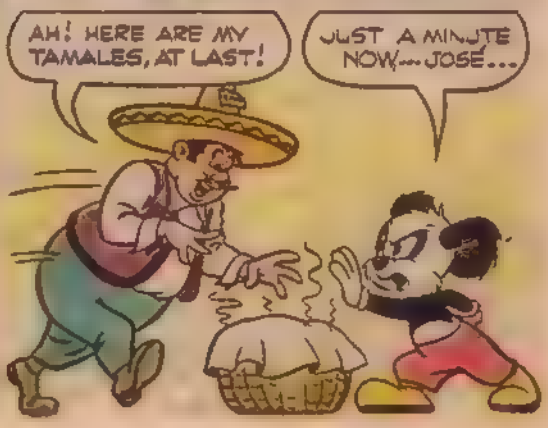

SAY, IS THE GUY WEARIN' THE SOMBRERO YOUR GUEST?
...ER, YES, HE IS!

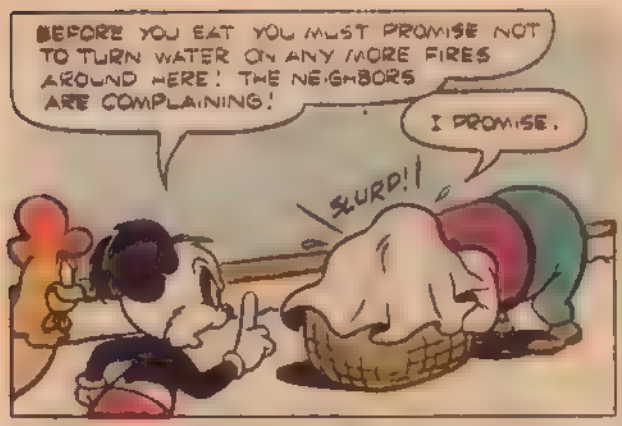

WELL, I WAS HAVING A CHUMMY LITTLE BARBECUE OVER HERE, WHEN HE DRENCHED MY WHOLE PARTY WITH THE HOSE!

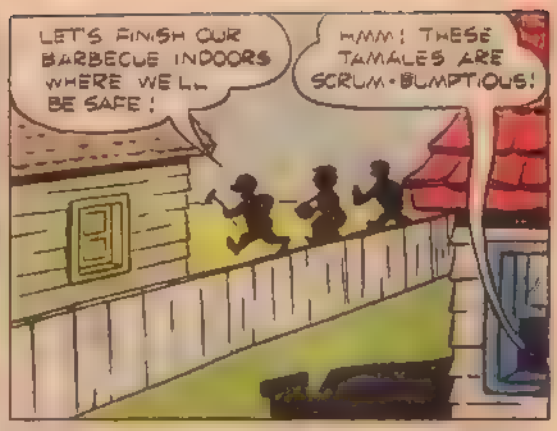

THIS SORT OF THING HAS GOT TO STOP! OUR WIENERS ARE WATERLOGGED!
Y-YES SIR.

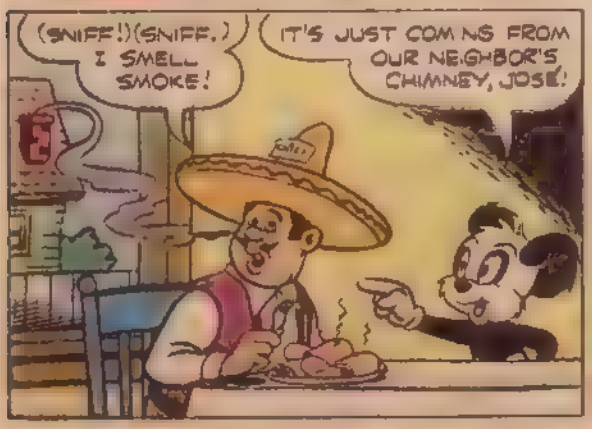

GOSH, JOSÉ, WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING IN MY KITCHEN?
SAFEGUARDING YOUR HOME, LEETLE ANDY!
CRACK!
CRONCH!
BAM!

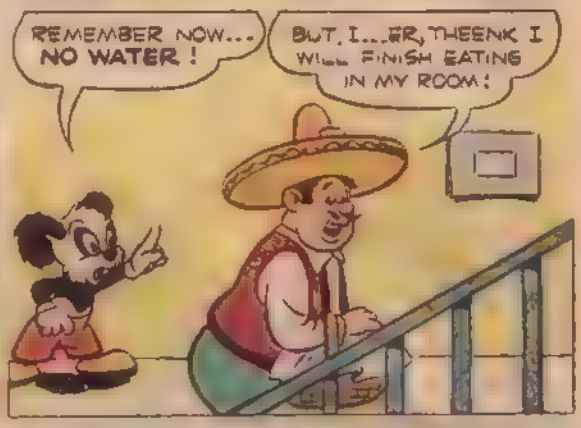

MY STOVE! CHOPPED TO PIECES!
EET WAS A MOST TERRIBLE FIRE HAZARD!

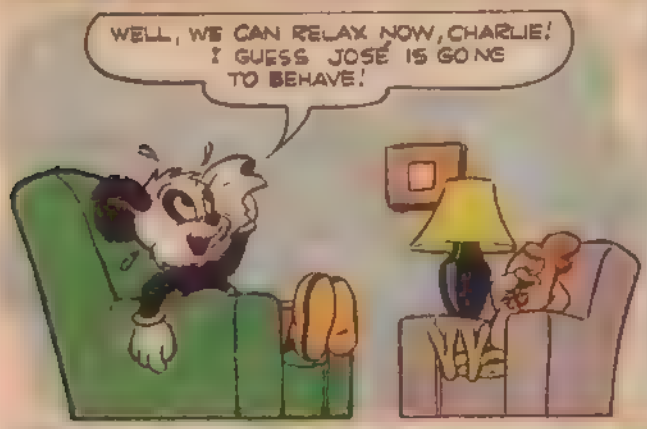

AH! HERE ARE MY TAMALES, AT LAST!
JUST A MINUTE NOW... JOSÉ...

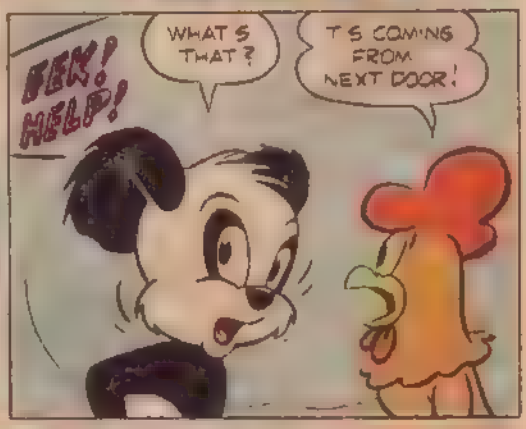

BEFORE YOU EAT YOU MUST PROMISE NOT TO TURN WATER ON ANY MORE FIRES AROUND HERE! THE NEIGHBORS ARE COMPLAINING!
I PROMISE.
SLURP!

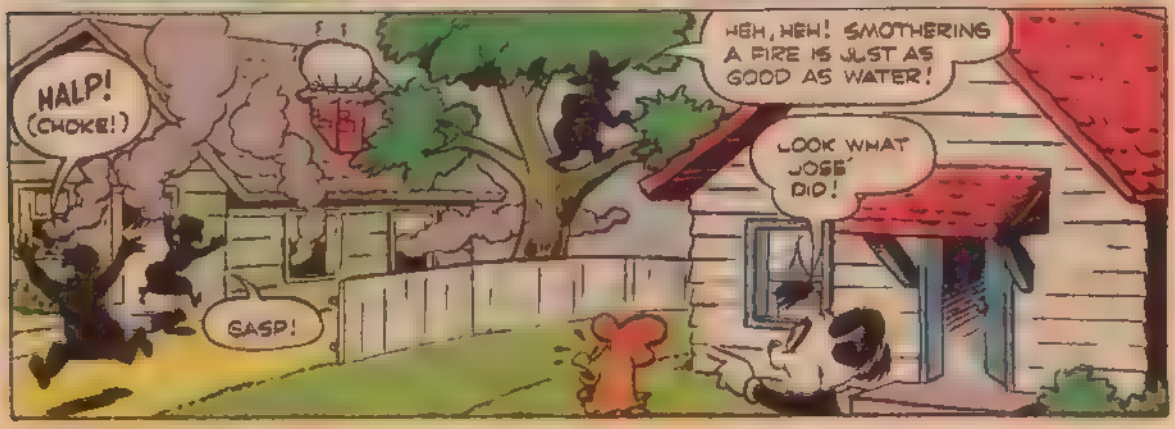

LET'S FINISH OUR BARBECUE INDOORS WHERE WE'LL BE SAFE!
HMM! THESE TAMALES ARE SCRUM-BUMPTIOUS!


(SNIFF!)(SNIFF.) I SMELL SMOKE!
IT'S JUST COMING FROM OUR NEIGHBOR'S CHIMNEY, JOSÉ!

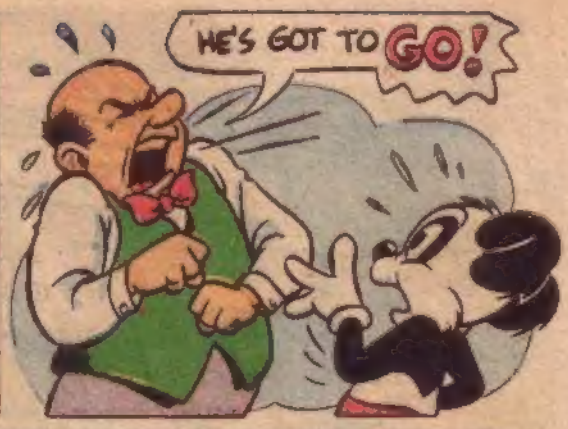

REMEMBER NOW... NO WATER!
BUT, I...ER, THEENK I WILL FINISH EATING IN MY ROOM!

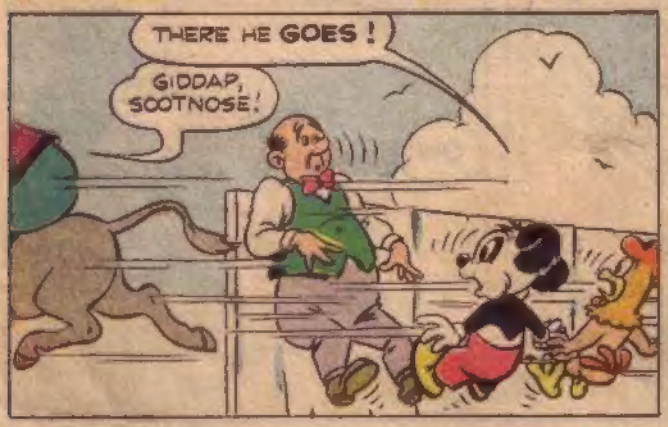

WELL, WE CAN RELAX NOW, CHARLIE! I GUESS JOSÉ IS GOING TO BEHAVE!

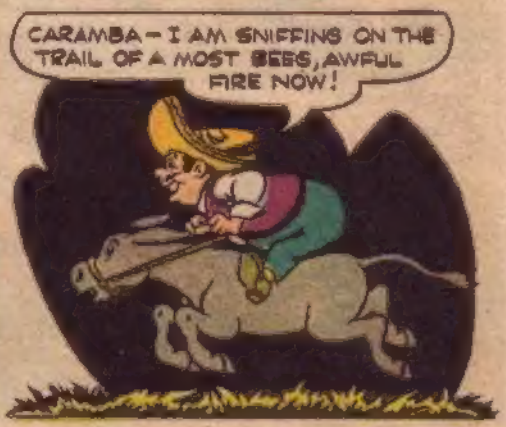

EEK! HELP!
WHAT'S THAT?
IT'S COMING FROM NEXT DOOR!

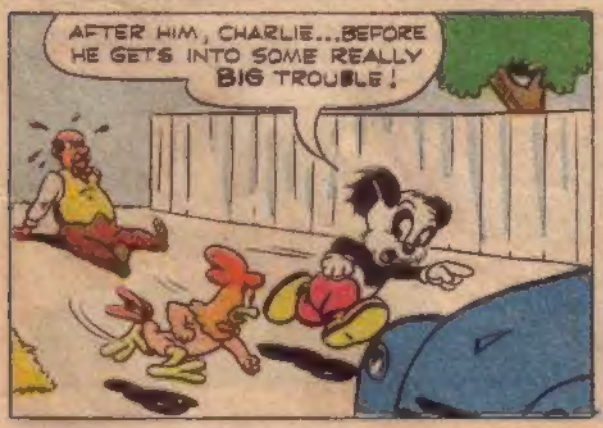

HALP! (CHOKE!)
GASP!
HEH, HEH! SMOTHERING A FIRE IS JUST AS GOOD AS WATER!
LOOK WHAT JOSÉ DID!

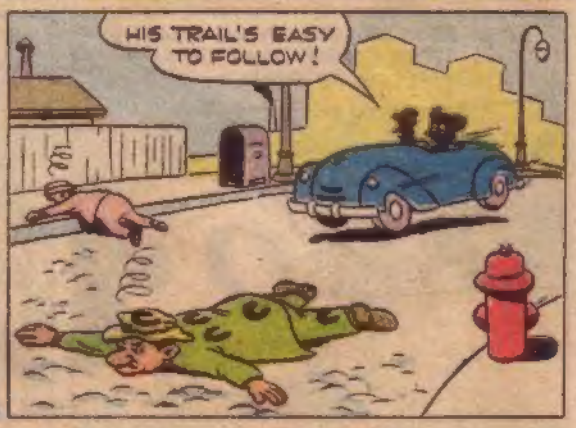
I SUPPOSE THIS IS THE WORK OF YOUR GUEST AGAIN!
GOSH! I'M SORRY!

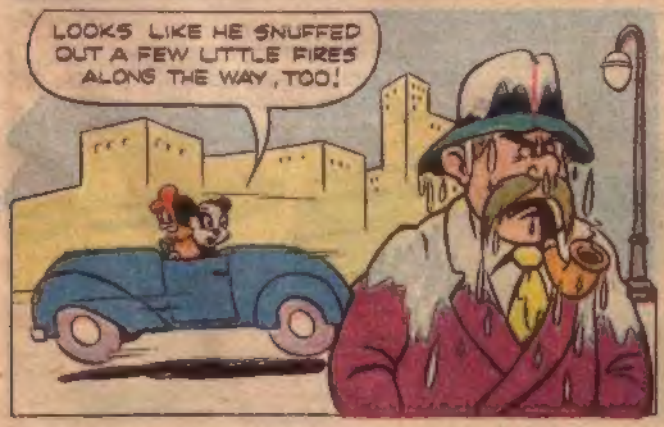

HE'S GOT TO GO!

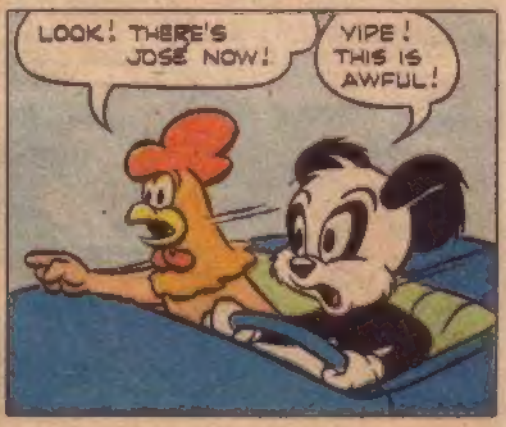

THERE HE GOES!
GIDDAP, SOOTNOSE!

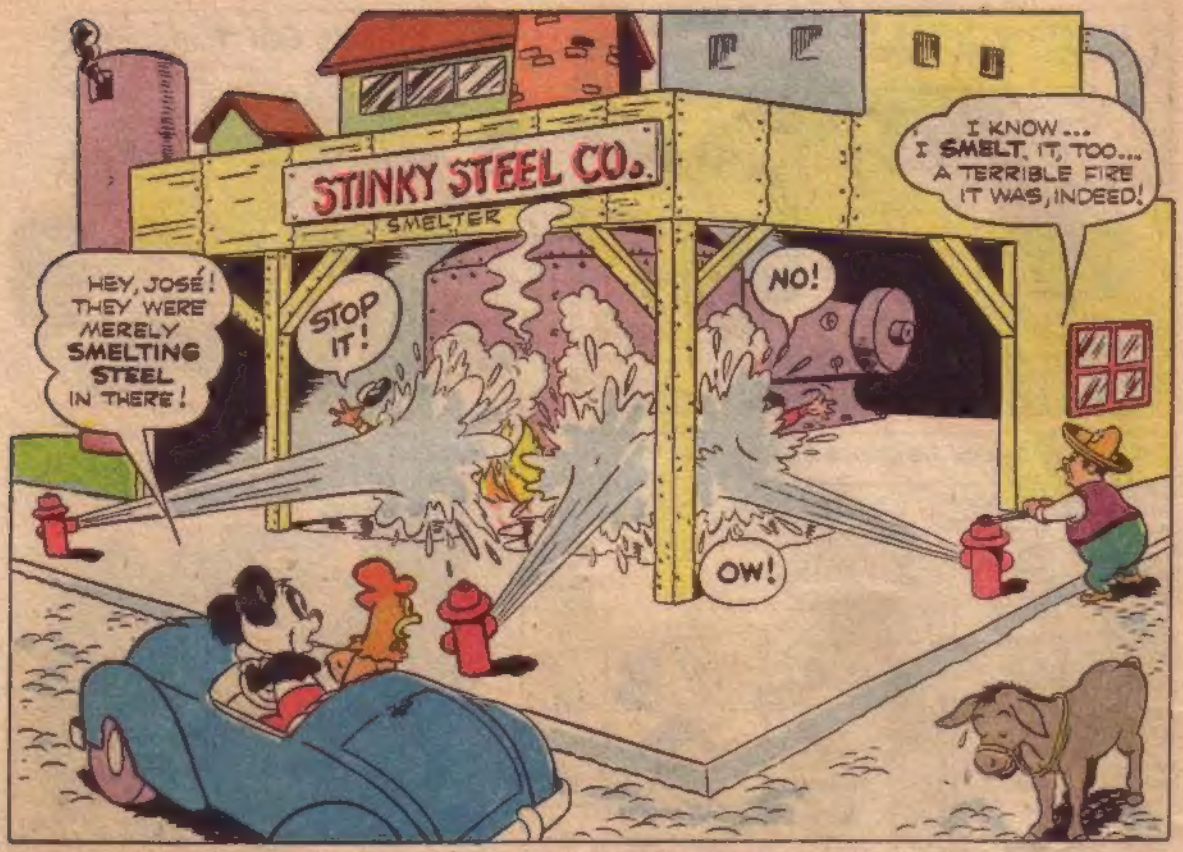

CARAMBA – I AM SNIFFING ON THE TRAIL OF A MOST BEES, AWFUL FIRE NOW!


AFTER HIM, CHARLIE...BEFORE HE GETS INTO SOME REALLY BIG TROUBLE!

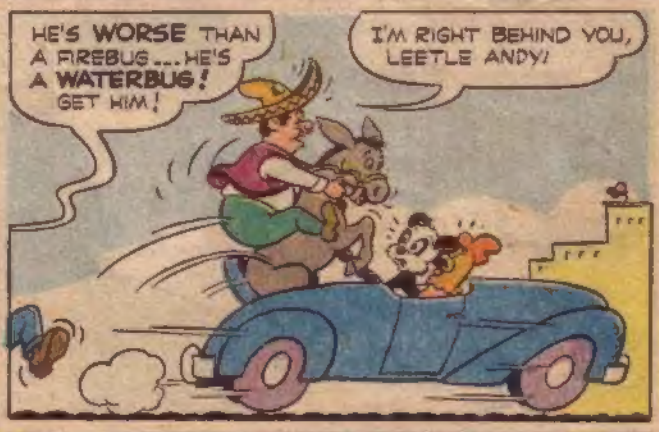

HIS TRAIL'S EASY TO FOLLOW!

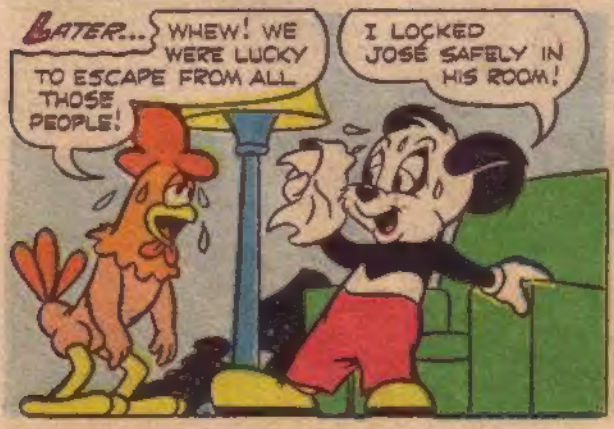

LOOKS LIKE HE SNUFFED OUT A FEW LITTLE FIRES ALONG THE WAY, TOO!

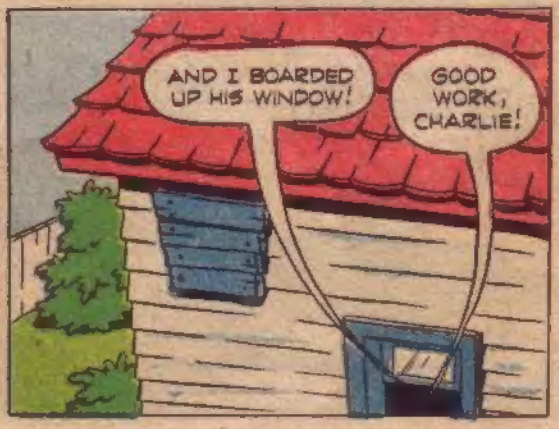

LOOK! THERE'S JOSÉ NOW!
YIPE! THIS IS AWFUL!

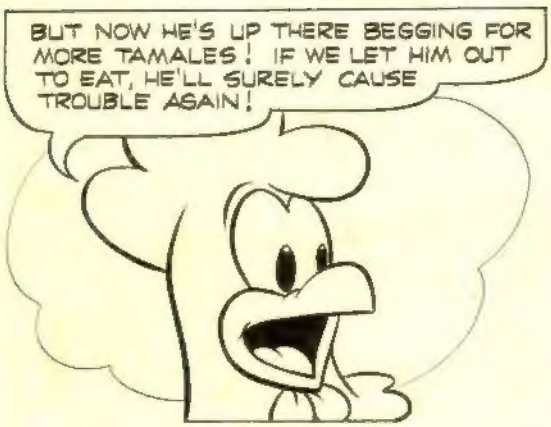

STINKY STEEL CO.
SMELTER
HEY, JOSÉ! THEY WERE MERELY SMELTING STEEL IN THERE!
STOP IT!
NO!
OW!
I KNOW... I SMELT IT, TOO... A TERRIBLE FIRE IT WAS, INDEED!

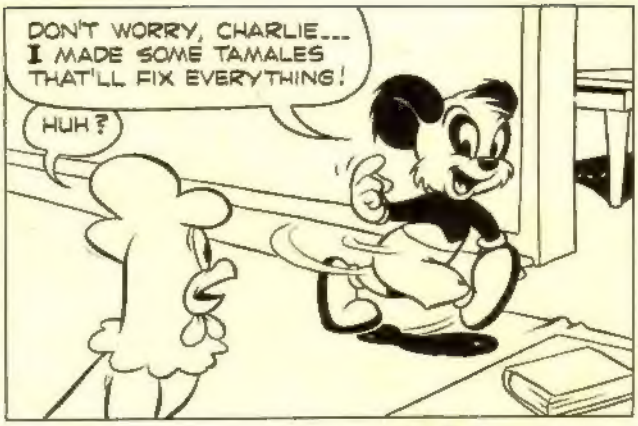
YOU'D BETTER FOLLOW US HOME, JOSÉ! HERE COMES A BUNCH OF ANGRY-LOOKING PEOPLE!

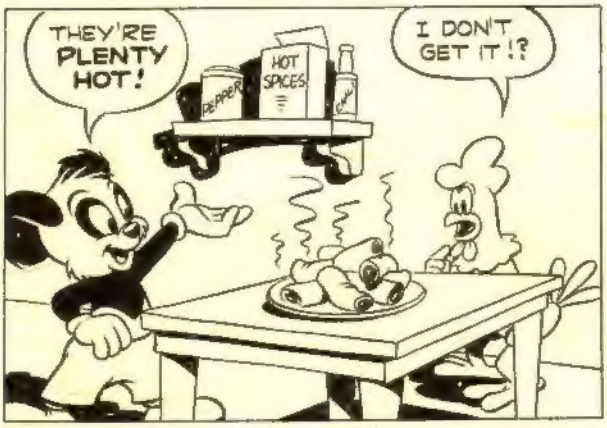

HE'S WORSE THAN A FIREBUG... HE'S A WATERBUG! GET HIM!
I'M RIGHT BEHIND YOU, LEETLE ANDY!


LATER...
WHEW! WE WERE LUCKY TO ESCAPE FROM ALL THOSE PEOPLE!
I LOCKED JOSÉ SAFELY IN HIS ROOM!


AND I BOARDED UP HIS WINDOW!
GOOD WORK, CHARLIE!


BUT NOW HE'S UP THERE BEGGING FOR MORE TAMALES! IF WE LET HIM OUT TO EAT, HE'LL SURELY CAUSE TROUBLE AGAIN!


DON'T WORRY, CHARLIE... I MADE SOME TAMALES THAT'LL FIX EVERYTHING!
HUH?


THEY'RE PLENTY HOT!
I DON'T GET IT!?
HOT SPICES
PEPPER

YOU BRING JOSÉ DOWN HERE, AND WATCH WHAT HAPPENS!
OKAY!

BY GOLLY...TAMALES! JUST WHAT I NEED!

YEOWEEE!
SUCH TERRIBLY HOT TAMALES!

SEE, CHARLIE... I BET JOSÉ WILL SPEND THE REST OF HIS VACATION PUTTING OUT HIS OWN FIRE!

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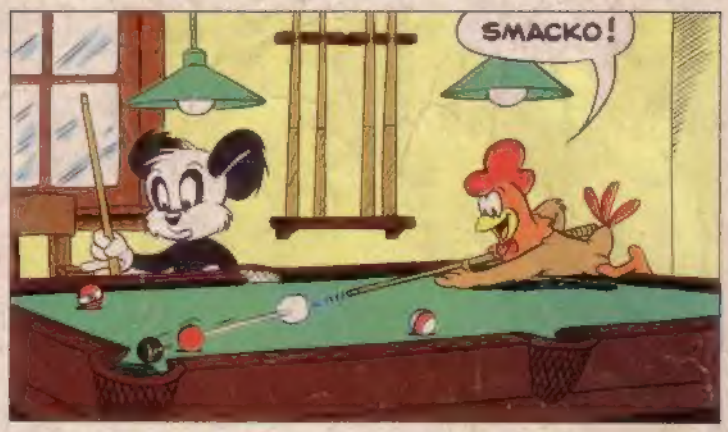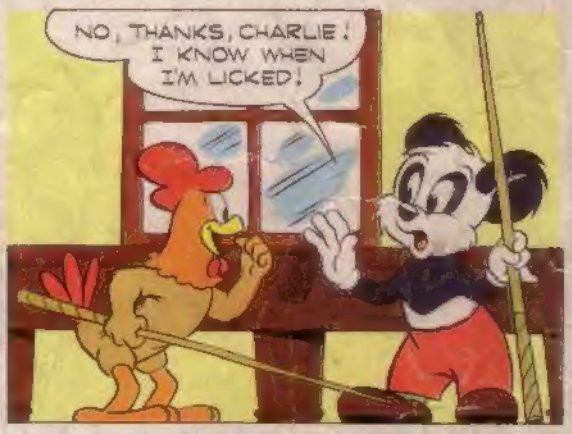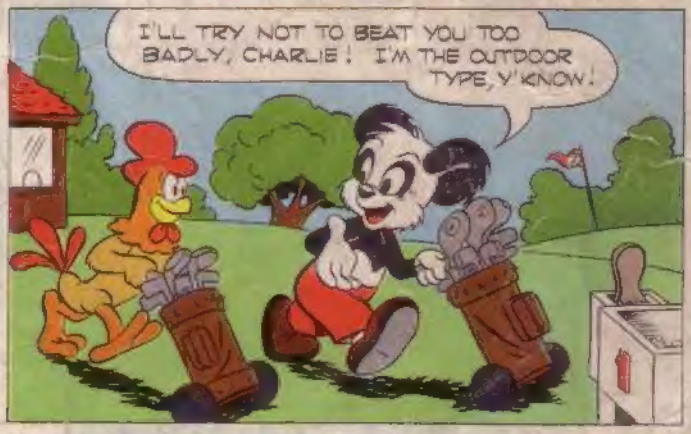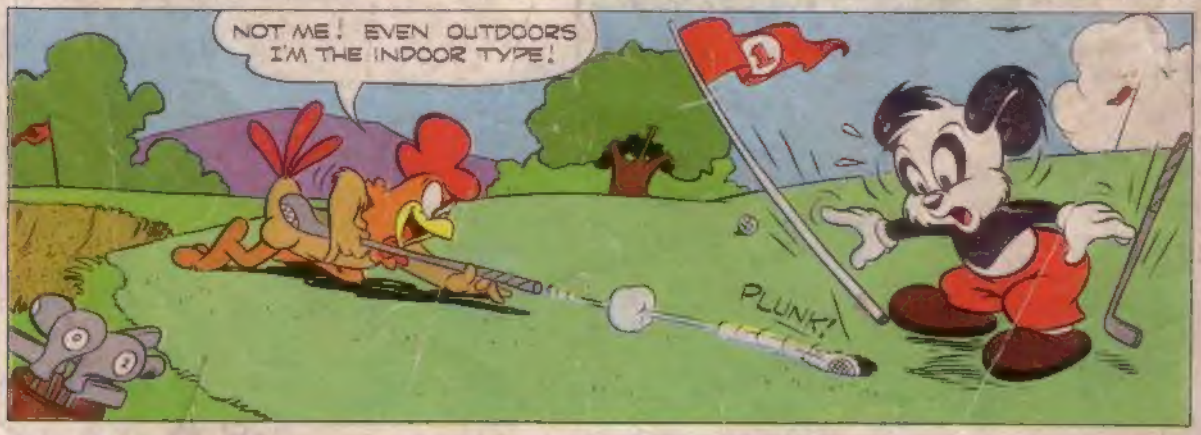
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